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## SEARCH COMMITTEE

### Vice president to be selected



Frances Shipley  
committee chair

By VICKI SCHEER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

By mid-November, a search committee will begin seeking applicants for the position of vice president for Academic Affairs.

The position opening will be advertised for three successive weeks in the "Chronicle for Higher Education," a weekly, national newspaper dealing with higher education and universities.

"The committee is hoping to complete the selection process by April 1," Bob Henry, public relations officer, said.

Henry assumed the individual selected to fill the vice presidency will not be in office until summer 1994, since the individual will most likely be currently employed and want to carry out the position through the current school year.

Other members of the committee include Denise Ottinger, representing the President's Cabinet; Joe Ryan, representing the academic deans; Mary Ellen Kimble, representing the B.D. Owens Library staff; John Hixon, representing the College of Education; Edward Farquhar, representing the College of Agriculture and Sciences; David Slater, representing the College of Arts and Humanities; Jerry Brekke, representing the College of Business, Government, and Computer Science; Phil Lucido, president of the Faculty Senate, and sophomore Matt Wheeler, representing Student Senate.

Announcements of the opening will also be mailed to college and university placement bureaus. Once the advertisement gets out, news of the opening will spread by word of mouth, Henry said.

The length of the contract to be offered for the vice presidency has not been determined.

Henry presumed the length of the contract will be determined between the University and the individual selected in negotiations.

The position is currently being filled on an interim basis by Patt VanDyke. The previous vice president was Robert Culbertson, who resigned after four years to accept the position of chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

The search committee is being chaired by Frances Shipley, dean of the graduate school.

### Regents' president plans new agenda

By LONELLE RATHJE  
CHIEF REPORTER

The new Board of Regents president intends not only to keep Regents' noses in student affairs, but their hands as well.

Danny Marsh, who has been a member of the Board of Regents since 1991, was selected Oct. 28 to serve a four-year term as president of the board.

"It is exciting, and it will be challenging in a lot of things," Marsh said. "Northwest has a great position in higher education."

Marsh was selected for the position by former Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft.

The Board of Regents then reorganized at their last meeting, Oct. 28, naming Marsh to the presidency, which had previously been occupied by Ed Douglas.

Marsh, who was a graduate of Northwest in 1976, said through his observations the University has propelled forward by transforming into a computerized campus.

Students who appreciate what is offered to them also helps, he said.

"I wish I had that when I was in college here, because it makes us stand out between the other facilities," Marsh said. "And also, I think the students of today, particularly here, are making a more earnest effort to learn than college students of my time. They know what they need to get out of college and they do it."

Aside from not having an agenda mapped out, Marsh does have specific issues he intends to attack.

"We are going to have to find new areas to recruit students, because where we are getting them from now is becoming a smaller populated area," he said.

Another issue is getting the Regents more visible in student affairs.

The Regents tend to have "their noses in, but their hands out," he said.

"When I visited the last Faculty/Student Senate meeting, I enjoyed how the government took place... everyone on campus had representation," Marsh said.



JON BRITTON/Northwest Missourian

CAROL PATTON AND JAMES RUSH perform a scene during dress rehearsal of the comedic murder mystery "The Bat." The show is produced by the theater department, and the cast and crew said they

want to intentionally leave the audience enjoyably confused and entertained. Performances are scheduled for Nov. 12-13, 7:30 p.m., and 2 p.m. Nov. 14, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

## PRODUCTION

### Students prepare performance of 'The Bat'

Theater department shows off acting talent with old fashioned comedic murder mystery show

By LONELLE RATHJE  
CHIEF REPORTER

Author Agatha Christie, stole from them, and now Northwest has done the same.

"The Bat," a play collaborated by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Haverly Hopewood, is a comedic murder mystery which is set to take center stage next week.

According to Charles Schultz, director, the play is an old-fashioned murder mystery written and set in the 1920s. Schultz said the plot line provided the predominate tone and subject of many of Agatha Christie's mystery novels.

"Those who love murder mysteries are the ones who will really enjoy the event," he said.

The play takes place in an old mansion where the Bat, a burglar, and other characters, search for a hidden stash of stolen money.

After two murders, suspicion is cast over each character.

Accompanying the well-written play, Schultz said, will be special effects such as lightning, thunder, fire and explosions.

Yet when an audience is immersed in a well-written play and special effects, they tend to overlook the quantity of time and effort the cast and crew dedicated to the production, he said.

The cast has worked 300-500 hours in the last six weeks, by working six nights a week for nearly four hours. Schultz said the figures do not include outside preparations.

"These people deserve an audience because we have worked so dog-gone hard," he said. "We want some really good talent on this campus. It you went to the Homecoming Variety Show, it pales in comparison (to "The Bat")."

Shawn Wake, playing "Dr. Wells" and acting as the designer of sound for the production, said the cast and crew intentionally want the audience to leave confused.

"Hopefully, it will make them confused and they will go away enjoying themselves," Wake said. "I hope it keeps them entertained."

Performances are scheduled for Nov. 12, 7:30 p.m. and midnight, and Nov. 13, 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 14, 2 p.m..

Tickets are \$3 and may be purchased in the Administration Building or at the box office the night of the performances.

### Faculty Senate reviews curriculum issue

By REGINA BRUNTMEYER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The decision to allow students on the Curriculum Committee will not be addressed until the spring semester.

Roy Leeper, chairman of the Curriculum Committee, made a motion at the Faculty Senate meet-

ing to move the issue to the newly appointed Constitutional Review Committee.

The motion was seconded and passed with a simple majority vote.

Every five years the Senate must organize a Constitutional Review Committee to discuss possible amendments to the constitution, according to Faculty Senate President Phillip Lucido.



TONY MICELI/Northwest Missourian

STUDENT SENATE PRESIDENT TRENT SKAGGS urges Faculty Senate to vote on the issue of students being on the Curriculum Committee. Faculty Senate voted to table the matter.

Since the issue of students on the Curriculum Committee would involve a constitutional change, the Senate forwarding passed the issue to the Constitutional Review Committee.

"Students wanted the faculty to vote at this meeting," Trent Skaggs, president of Student Senate, said. "The issue will only get lost in the process of the committee."

However, Leeper and Robert Dewhirst, faculty adviser for Student Senate, do not believe the issue will be missed.

"I do not think the students will let the issue die," Dewhirst said.

The issue is at a stand still. It could still go either way.

"Right now, the issue could go either way," Dewhirst said. "I really don't know how the issue will come out in the end."

The Constitutional Review Committee will make recommendations to the Faculty Senate.

"For the issue to pass, it must have a two-thirds vote first in the Faculty Senate. Then it would have to be passed by a two-thirds vote in the whole voting faculty," Dewhirst said.

At the meeting, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs Patt Van Dyke discussed how equipment money would be divided between the four colleges and the library.

"Northwest needs \$2.3 million to take care of all equipment needs, but we only have \$280,000," Van Dyke said.

"Each college will receive \$25,000 for equipment, and the rest will be divided according to certain guidelines the committee has set up," Van Dyke said.

## FIRE

### Franken Hall scare causes evacuations

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Evaluation is on-going in the aftermath of the Franken Hall fire.

The fire, which forced a full evacuation of the building, originated in a student room and firefighters managed to keep the fire sustained to that room with water being the only other cause for damage.

Indications are the fire was started by an electrical malfunction. It also appears the heater was not given enough ventilation, Tom Dover, director of Campus Safety, said.

The resident of the room was not present at the time of the fire, but two residents of the hall gained entrance to the room and attempted to extinguish the blaze with a portable extinguisher.

The residents of Franken Hall were evacuated from the building for approximately three hours, while firefighters inspected the building.

The situation has been a concern of many because of prank fire drills set off earlier this year in halls. Wayne Viner, residential life director added students should always take fire alarms seriously.

## RAPE

### Student pleads innocent

A Kansas City man has pleaded innocent to rape and sodomy charges Tuesday, Nov. 9. Shane Johnson, 19, appeared Monday, Nov. 8 before Judge John Andrews and entered a plea of not guilty to one count of forcible rape and not guilty to one count of forcible sodomy.

The charges are based on a Sept. 2 incident in a Northwest residence hall. Andrews set the matter for jury trial on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1.

Johnson made a request for bond reduction through his attorney. The judge denied the reduction request, and Johnson remains in the Nodaway County Jail on \$25,000 bond. Friday, Nov. 5, after hearing preliminary testimony, Judge John Frazee found sufficient evidence to require the defendant to stand trial on the charges of rape and sodomy.

## OUR VIEW

Editorials express the view of the *Northwest Missourian*. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists, cartoonists and readers.

## Summer classes back to normal

Daily classes, long hours and accelerated learning are some of the main reasons students shy away from summer school. Anyone who has ever taken a summer class, knows the hardships they must endure.

To many, who take summer classes, the courses seem a bit easier than fall and spring semester classes. The instructor does not take his or her time to explain in depth everything that is usually explained, because time is limited.

Last summer a decision was made to have summer classes last two hours a day, five days a week; as opposed to classes in the past that lasted two and a half hours, four days a week.

For those who attended, the summer seemed to last longer.

Although classes were only two hours long, the extra day of classes made each week drag. For some it was only natural to skip classes on Fridays causing them to fall behind.

The University has now decided this summer, classes will proceed like they have in the past. Students will only have to attend classes four days a week rather than five days.

We are happy to see the decision to return to the old summer schedule.

## Irresponsibility pains humanity

If you have turned on the television or picked up a newspaper in the last week you know about the fires that have been raging in Southern California. Rumors are flying that several of the fires were started by an arsonist and one by an unattended cigarette.

How much disregard do you have to have for humanity do become an arsonist?

We can't help but wonder what must be going through the mind of the individual or individuals who lit the first match.

What must be going through their minds as they watch the news and see the reaction of families as they return to the place where their homes once stood?

Maybe they started the first fire in revenge of someone whom they disagreed with and didn't plan for it to get so far out of hand, or maybe they had the entire event planned out.

Which ever was the case, it is obvious they are in desperate need of a psychological evaluation.

Although these reasons may be excusable, there is no excuse for the fire started by the cigarette. Stupid carelessness is the only reason that can be given.

How can anyone even think of saying "I'm sorry" to the hundreds of families who have lost everything they own.

What is probably even more disgusting is after all the fires are out and families begin the rebuild, no one will have learned from this lesson.



## MY TURN

## Thanksgiving: forgotten holiday

Somewhere between the ghosts and goblins of Halloween and the candy canes and colorful glass ornaments of Christmas, there used to be a day called Thanksgiving.

Where it has gone nobody knows and in the retail world, nobody seems to care.

It used to be an unspoken tradition to give thanks for everything you had on Thanksgiving Thursday and then go out and accumulate more to be thankful for on Friday.

But now, you don't even have to wait until the miniature Snickers harden in the candy bowl before you can go out and choose the perfect plastic tree and start picking up those wonderful little stocking stuffers.

Now, you can go into any store in the middle of October and find all of your Christmas needs.

Every year, for at least a month before Halloween, there are aisles of candy, costumes, face paint and decorations. And long before all of those things are marked 75 percent off, there

are twice as many aisles of Christmas decorations already in place.

However, trying to find any type of Thanksgiving decorations is next to impossible. There tends to be one small section of cut-out paper turkeys and orange and yellow candles that take up, maybe, three feet of shelf space.

Why has Thanksgiving become so unimportant? Do people not believe in being thankful for the things they have?

It seems if Thanksgiving were more commercial, it would be more important. Since stores transform from black and orange to red and green, they tend to overlook this forgotten holiday, and people seem to be doing the same.

People also seem to look at holidays from a materialistic approach.

For Halloween, it is "How much candy can I get?" and for Christmas, it is "How many presents can I get?" But, for Thanksgiving nobody gets anything. In fact, it should be a time when people reflect on what they have, and give something back.

There are some people who have

not forgotten the meaning of Thanksgiving. When people have very little in life, they tend to be very thankful for the little things they do have.

For those who have a lot and want to give something back, they find a fulfilling way to do that is to volunteer at a soup kitchen. It is a way for them to make the day something that others can be thankful for.

When Thanksgiving rolls around this year, people should stop and think about those who have nothing and take time to appreciate what they do have. They should not necessarily think about their big screen television, stereo and car phone, but their friends, family and life.

You don't have to give up indulging on turkey, stuffing and pumpkin pie, or falling asleep in front of the TV while watching professional football.

But, don't forget to give thanks for those things which enrich your life.

Keep in mind, that between Halloween and Christmas, there is another holiday: Thanksgiving.



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Halloween, Christmas spirit make people forget to give thanks

James West, M.D.  
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Doctor answers questions about alcoholism

## Q and A about effects of alcohol

**Q**uestion: What is known about what happens in the brain when one drinks alcohol?

**A**nswer: Lots of things are happening in the brain when one drinks alcohol.

Everyone who has observed a person who is drunk is seeing what is happening to behavior and physical functioning as a direct result of the effect of alcohol on the brain.

It has been known for centuries that alcohol acts as a depressant and was used at one time as an anesthetic.

Recent studies using brain imaging

techniques (PET scans) of persons with intoxicating doses of alcohol show a reduction in glucose metabolism throughout the brain cortex, which indicates a decrease in total brain functioning.

This same finding occurs when intoxicating doses of morphine or cocaine are given intravenously under controlled conditions.

**Q:** I have heard that women may be more likely to develop alcoholic liver disease than men.

**A:** Does alcohol have a similar damaging effect on the nervous system in women?

**A:** Yes. Alcoholic brain shrinkage, as measured by computed tomographic scans, was found to be similar in men and women.

The only difference was that women developed brain shrinkage with shorter periods of alcohol exposure, which could be attributed to metabolic differences between men and women.

**Q:** What is the oldest recorded use of alcohol abuse?

**A:** Genesis 9:20 (after the flood waters had receded) "And Noah began to be a husbandman, and he planted a vineyard" and he drank of the wine and was drunken."

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Fraternities deserve respect; Stroller's views inaccurate

Dear Editor:

In the Oct. 28, edition of the *Northwest Missourian*, the Stroller gave its weekly view on campus life as it has since 1918.

Although we always appreciate outside views as a means to seriously analyze our practices and policies, this attack on Greek life both outrages and angers our community.

Greeks are being persecuted on a national basis and it is time for us to strike back. The opinions of the Stroller surmise quite accurately what the national media, FOX television executives and movie producers perceive as "Frat Guys."

If any other segment of the community were attacked in such a way as this with such vigor, calls of harassment, slander and bigotry would fly out of the politically correct woodwork. It is understandable for persons not to comprehend a system they did not desire or were unable to join.

We understand this misconception of Greek life and are desperately trying to educate people that the days of the "Animal House" image are gone.

Greeks are placing an emphasis on academics, community service, philanthropy, brotherhood and sisterhood and campus lead-

ership; not on "keggers" and the creation of "queer" jokes the Stroller alleges.

Remarks were even levied against Greek organizations presidents, and it was implied the only reason they held office is because of "Stylin' hair and cute girlfriends."

I personally know every president of each of the fraternities, and though they may be attractive people, they are outstanding individuals with intellect, values and higher grade point averages than you might imagine.

You may have noticed even though the Stroller subject was titled, "Frat guys not of Greek descent," I have defended both the fraternities and sororities. That is because we exist together in a Greek system, contrary to others, members do respect the other gender.

We, as Greeks, are labeled as bigots, sexists, elitists, rich, rapists and alcoholics, in the Stroller section. We deny the basis of these allegations and challenge the authority of those who allowed the Stroller to abuse his or her privilege in printing this demeaning article.

We also challenge the *Northwest Missourian* staff instead of complaining about campus problems, to become part of the solutions and join the ranks of dedicated persons working toward a better Northwest and world, many of whom I am proud to say they are Greek. We ask in the future that more thought

and consideration go into your articles and sections.

Jamie McMurphy, I.F.C. Public Relations Chair

## CAMPUS VOICE

What do you think the effect of shows like Beavis and Butt-Head have on society?

"I don't think it's really a bad effect on society. Society pretty much does what they want to."

Lisa Mraz, sophomore



"It's really funny, it's something for college students to do. But, I think it is kind of shown in a bad way, like the stuff they do to animals and the way they hurt each other. The guy who came up with it is really screwed up."

Susan Shipley, sophomore



"It depends, you've got to look at who the show is made for. It is made for teen-agers, not little kids and when you say the group who is supposed to be watching this show, is going to go out and act a certain way is saying life copies art and I feel art copies life."

Jermell Harris, sophomore



"It's not going to make people burn down their houses, that's ridiculous."

Regina Roe, sophomore



"I think they have an effect on children who don't understand the humor."

Lauree Crozier, senior



"I think parents need to monitor their children. They need to know what's real and what's not."

Susan Lee, senior



## VOICE YOUR OPINION

Letters to the editor should be signed and include the author's name, address and phone number for verification purposes.

The *Missourian* reserves the right to refuse and to edit such articles. Letters should not contain over 250 words.

All letters must be addressed to the editor.

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## UNIVERSITY NEWS

## Yearly blood drive seeks donors

The Student Affairs Committee and other organizations on campus have been keeping busy with the annual blood drive.

This year's blood drive will take place Monday, Nov. 15 in the Union Ballroom. Each organization and all of the residence halls on campus should have representatives to sign up any interested donors.

## Jazz concert comes to campus

The Northwest Encore Performances along with KXCV-KRNW and Campus Activity Programmers is sponsoring a concert for blues and jazz lovers.

The concert will feature Katherine Davis and Sidney James Wingfield performing a program of Chicago Blues, rhythm and blues, gospel and jazz.

This duo has been nominated in the jazz music categories of the Campus Entertainment Awards given out annually by college students.

## Jazz dance troupe will perform

The nationally acclaimed Hubbard Street Dance will perform at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15 at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center on its latest national tour.

This jazz dance troupe which has performed all over the world is a Northwest Encore Performance. Reserved seat tickets are \$6 with a senior ID and for children 12 and under; \$8 for senior citizens and other students; and \$10 for adults.

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago is widely recognized as Chicago's premiere dance company.

The troupe was formed in 1977 under Conte and today, as an ensemble of 20 culturally diverse and internationally acclaimed dancers, performs each year for a world wide audience of over 150,000 people.

## Graduates speak on counseling

Ken Thom and Kristen Peltz returned Nov. 4 to relay to graduate counseling students their experience in the professional arena and what is expected of a counselor today.

Thom and Peltz, who counsel many adolescents at Preferred Family Health Care in St. Joseph, both have completed the graduate counseling program at Northwest.

Both agreed Northwest is thought of highly for their graduate counseling program in the professional world.

## AMA to host fall Marketing Day

The American Marketing Association will celebrate its annual fall Marketing Day Wednesday, Nov. 17.

AMA will host two guest speakers in 228 Colden Hall. Ken Yeager, an employee of Lady Baltimore Foods, will speak at 10 a.m. and another speaker, who is yet to be announced, will speak at 11 a.m.

The main purpose of the day is to allow students and faculty a chance to meet business professionals.

## Roommates learn responsibility

Reality sets in when students face household chores, bills, arguments associated with off-campus dwelling

By ROGER HUGHLETT  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

When most students decide to live off-campus, they usually start looking for roommates to lessen the costs thrown at them by the "real world."

Roommates play a vital role in the "off-campus living experience," according to some students. There are many advantages of living together, according to one student.

"You can use their stuff when they're not looking," Jenny Kempema, junior, said.

Kempema and her three roommates have lived together since the beginning of the semester. They are all good friends and met last year while living in the residential halls, according to another roommate, Fran Grandanette, sophomore.

"Well, last year I lived with Jenny (Kempema) on campus and Jo (Johnson, sophomore and another roommate) sort of lived in our room most of the time," Grandanette said. "The three of us are used to living with each other. So we decided to move in together."

The economic factor plays a major part in the decision to have roommates. With four people in their apartment, rent is \$100 a month per person.

"With four roommates it makes it awful cheap for us," Kempema said.

Paying bills is the toughest thing about living off-campus, according to the students.

"When we pay our bills we try and all sit down together and figure out what we each owe," Kempema said.

The phone bill is not popular with the students.

"The phone bill really sucks," Grandanette added.

According to the students, they usually only sit down together when it is time to pay the bills. They handle "in-house" problems in a less civil manner.

"We hit and scream and scratch each other," Kempema said. "No seriously, we just talk behind each other's backs. That seems to work."

According to Grandanette, since all the roommates are good friends, problems are usually resolved up front.

"You can tell them how you feel," Grandanette said. "If you are living with a stranger it is hard to tell them how you feel. Since we are all friends it makes it easier to talk about problems we have within the apartment."

Dirty dishes pose another problem for the roommates.

"At first we decided to take turns washing all the dishes, but that never worked because no one ever wanted to wash them," Grandanette said. "So now when we eat we do our own dishes so they don't start piling up."

This system has some flaws, according to Kempema.



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

SHARING THE RESPONSIBILITY of household chores, sophomores Jo Johnson and Fran Grandanette and junior Jenny Kempema spend an evening together washing dinner dishes and discussing the day's events.

"We usually try and clean up after ourselves," Kempema said. "But that doesn't always work."

Making the dishes dirty is another complaint one of the students has with living off-campus.

"Sometimes I get sick of fixing stuff to eat," Grandanette said. "Sometimes I wish I was on campus and could just walk to the Union and have food there and it would be paid for by my parents. I just get sick of noodles."

Johnson, who relied on campus food last year, said she relies on someone else to cook for her now.

"My boyfriend usually comes over and cooks," Johnson said.

Even though the students do not care too much for cooking their meals, they do enjoy entertaining.

"There is never a problem with people not wanting to have a party," Johnson said.

They all like to throw parties, but the aftermath is not something they look forward to, according to Kempema.

"The only problem with hosting a party is cleaning up," Kempema added. The students host a "Simpsons/Seinfeld Night" every Thursday in the apartment.

Several of their close friends gather in front of the television set and enjoy an evening of sit-coms. This causes a "mess" and does not allow for much studying to

be done on Thursdays, according to Grandanette.

"It is really hard to study sometimes," Grandanette said. "Sometimes it can get to be a mess with all the people over, especially on Thursday nights."

Whether they are hosting parties, sitting around the house or cleaning up the kitchen, the students agreed that living together off-campus is a learning experience they would not want to deny themselves.

"It's harder than I expected," Grandanette said. "When we first moved in I thought it was going to be a big party. It's a lot harder than I thought."

The students said they learn a lot about themselves and their roommates.

"We learn how to get along with people and cooperate," Kempema said. "We are growing up and maturing and living with roommates is a big part of the process."

The students agreed living with roommates is enjoyable and trying at times, but when they need to get away and have some time by themselves, Kempema offered her solution, "You go to your boyfriend's house."

## Off-campus Housing



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## Husband in severed penis case faces assault charge

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — A woman who cut off her husband's penis was upset over his insensitive lovemaking and only later claimed rape, a defense lawyer argued at the start of the husband's sexual assault trial.

Gregory Murphy, attorney for John Wayne Bobbitt, read parts of Lorena Bobbitt's statement to police in which she complained her husband was a selfish lover because he "always has orgasm and he never waits for me to have one."

In the same statement, Mrs. Bobbitt, 24, complained her husband initiated sex without taking off all her clothes.

"That does not sound like the statement of a woman who has been raped," Murphy said.

Bobbitt sobbed as she testified Monday, Nov. 8, the first time she had faced her husband since the June 23 incident.

She said her 26-year-old husband pinned her to the bed and forced her to have sex with him before falling asleep. Afterward, she said, she became angry, grabbed a knife from the kitchen and returned to the bedroom.

"I lifted the sheets and I cut it," she said. Mrs. Bobbitt severed two-thirds of her husband's penis.

Mrs. Bobbitt faces trial Nov. 29 on a malicious wound charge. Each spouse could receive 20 years in prison.

The prosecutor told the jury of nine women and three men that Bobbitt, a former Marine, frequently forced his wife to have sex.

The defense said the sex was consensual and claimed Mrs. Bobbitt is mainly concerned with making money from the highly publicized case.

Bobbitt has made no public statement since his arrest. Mrs. Bobbitt has granted two interviews. The Bobbitts, who married four years ago, are seeking a divorce.



## STATE NEWS

## Man accused in KCI shooting found dead in car

KANSAS CITY (AP) — A man accused of a contract killing at Kansas City International Airport died of carbon monoxide poisoning, authorities said. David W. Langhorn had been dead more than 24 hours when his body was found Friday, Nov. 5, said Sgt. Brian Bellendir of the Barton County, Kan., sheriff's department.

Langhorn's body was found at a central Kansas wildlife preserve near Great Bend. He was identified through fingerprints.

The body was inside a car hidden by trees at the Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Preserve. A hose was attached to the car's exhaust pipe and into the passenger window, Bellendir said. The car's ignition was in the on position but it had run out of gas.

Langhorn was charged with first-degree murder in the Oct. 25 shooting of Roger A. Behrenhausen, 49. Behrenhausen was killed in a parking garage at the airport.

## Voters may decide laws on homosexual rights

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Factions for and against laws outlining civil rights for homosexuals are gearing up for a battle that could be decided by Missouri voters next November.

The proposed Missouri amendment is nearly identical to one passed in Colorado last year prohibiting any community from passing laws that would specifically protect homosexuals from discrimination.

Colorado last year prohibiting any community from passing laws that would specifically protect homosexuals from discrimination.

But the Colorado case, under consideration by a Denver district judge who is expected to rule this month on its constitutionality, is not expected to affect Missouri until it or a similar one from another state reaches the U.S. Supreme Court.

Missouri is one of six states where Christian groups are seeking constitutional amendments to prohibit specific protection for gays and lesbians. If enough valid signatures are gathered on petitions, the issue will be put before Missouri voters next fall.

## Two hunters fined for killing trumpeter swans

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — Two men who claimed they mistook two trumpeter swans for snow geese have paid \$3,000 restitution each to the government for shooting the federally protected waterfowl.

The swans, which are larger than snow geese, were shot last December at Fellows Lake.

Federal authorities by law cannot release the hunters' names because the cases were handled under a procedure called pretrial diversion, Chris Whitley, a spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office, said last week.

Under the process, individuals are not charged and do not plead guilty. However, they do accept responsibility for their actions.

The swans were accidentally shot "by two sincere hunters who were too quick on the trigger," defense attorney Dee Wampler said. The two were calling for snow geese, he said. Bob Leapey, U.S. Fish and Wildlife agent, said he considered the handling of the case and the restitution to be fair.



## NATIONAL NEWS

## Dr. Death free after backer posts \$2,000 bond

DETROIT (AP) — Dr. Jack Kevorkian, the outspoken proponent of assisted suicide, left jail after a backer posted a \$2,000 bond. He said he felt "all right" after fasting all weekend to protest his imprisonment.

Lawyer Jack DeMoss posted a \$2,000 bond that allowed Kevorkian to leave the Wayne County jail Monday, Nov. 8.

Kevorkian was jailed Friday, Nov. 5, after he refused to post the bond himself. Kevorkian had refused nourishment except for juice and water.

On Friday, Detroit Recorder's Court Judge Thomas E. Jackson revoked Kevorkian's \$100,000 personal bond and order to post at least 10 percent of a \$20,000 cash bond.

The cash bond was levied for Kevorkian's alleged involvement in an Aug. 4 suicide, after he had already been charged with violating the state law against assisting suicides.

Kevorkian said he wouldn't post it because he wouldn't be forced to buy his freedom.

## Mother sought in daughters' "bizarre" killings

AUBURN, Calif. (AP) — A mother, with the help of her sons, killed one daughter by burning her alive and another by starving her to death in a closet almost a decade ago, authorities said.

Placer County Sheriff Donald Nunes called it "one of the most bizarre and unbelievably sad family situations anyone could ever imagine."

A nationwide search began Sunday, Nov. 7, for Theresa Jimmie Knorr, 47. She and her sons were charged with murder in Auburn, about 100 miles northeast of San Francisco.

The sons already were in police custody in the case. Knorr was acquitted in 1964 of killing her husband.

Authorities suspect that Knorr enlisted the aid of her sons in the slaying of Susan Knorr, 17, who was doused with gasoline and burned alive in 1984, and the killing of Sheila Gay Sanders, 20, who was starved to death while imprisoned in a closet in 1985.

In 1964, Knorr, then 18 and pregnant, was charged with the fatal shooting of her 23-year-old husband, Clifford Sanders. She told authorities it was self-defense.

## Gay activists pelt congregation with condoms

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Gay activists interrupted a church service and showered the congregation with condoms in a protest aimed at a church member who is a leader of a group that opposes homosexual rights.

Village Seven Presbyterian Church received no warning that it would be the site of a demonstration Sunday, Nov. 7, said the senior pastor, the Rev. A. Bernhard Kuiper.

When someone blew a loud whistle, a dozen or so people in black leather jackets stood up, removed their coats and chanted in unison: "Gays and lesbians under attack in Colorado Springs. We act up. This is for Will Perkins. Enjoy your Sunday."

The group then pelted the congregation with condoms before leaving, Kuiper said.



## WORLD NEWS

## Multiparty ballots first for Jordanians since '50s

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Lines of voters spilled into the streets in Jordan's first multiparty elections since 1956, giving King Hussein the heavy turnout he sought to thwart Muslim fundamentalists opposed to the Mideast peace process.

Early returns showed fundamentalists trailing by wide margins in districts that had been their strongholds. Nearly complete results released by the Interior Ministry indicated they could lose six of the 22 seats that had made them the largest voting bloc in Parliament.

Hussein's secular, pro-Western government had feared a low turnout would favor the well-organized fundamentalists and possibly deny the king a free hand in negotiating with Israel.

But the Interior Ministry said 68 percent of the country's registered voters cast ballots Monday, Nov. 8, surpassing the 1989 turnout of 62 percent.

## Chinese deportees disrupt flight over alcohol

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Passengers caused a ruckus on a Lufthansa flight when they were denied alcoholic beverages while being deported from Mexico, the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service said.

Thirty-one Chinese were put off the plane early Sunday, Nov. 7, after an emergency landing at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport.

They and eight Mexican guards were returned to Mexico Monday, Nov. 8, following a stay at Hartsfield that featured another melee Sunday night, INS district director Thomas P. Fischer said.

"We were told by the Lufthansa captain that they requested alcoholic beverages and were being denied these beverages and that, coupled with the language problem, prompted the fracas on the airplane," Fischer said.

The passengers were being deported to China after entering Mexico illegally from Guatemala. The flight was travelling from Mexico City to Frankfurt, Germany, when the disturbance prompted an emergency landing.

## 'Trick or Treat' turns deadly for 7 pub patrons

LIMAVADY, Northern Ireland (AP) — Three unemployed men were charged with murdering seven people in a Halloween eve shooting spree and belonging to an illegal Protestant paramilitary organization.

Another man was charged with the murders Friday, Nov. 5, and another has been charged with withholding information about the killings and providing a false alibi.

Gunslingers shouting "trick or treat" opened fire inside the Rising Sun pub in Greysteel, a mainly Catholic village 70 miles west of Belfast on Oct. 30, killing six Catholics and a Protestant.

The Ulster Defense Association, a paramilitary organization rooted in Northern Ireland's majority Protestant community and committed to continued British rule, claimed responsibility for the attack.

The Greysteel killings followed the Irish Republican Army bombing of a fish shop on the Shankill Road in Belfast on Oct. 23 which killed nine Protestants and one of the IRA bombers.

A total of 23 people died in a 10-day killing spree, the worst spate of sectarian murders since the mid-1970s.



# Safety week closes with 'arrests'

**RIGHTS promotes rape awareness, raises funds for educational material**

By JENNI BARNETT  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Personal Safety Week activities end with the bang of the jail cell as students and faculty were arrested to raise money for Rape Isn't Gonna Happen Tonight peer group.

Campus Safety arrested students and faculty in the Jail n' Bail fundraiser, sponsored by RIGHTS peer group and Campus Safety.

A make-shift jail set up in the Spanish Den held the guilty with arrest warrants in their name.

Their sentence consisted of reading pamphlets on acquaintance rape and sexual assault.

Bail was \$3 for students and \$8 for faculty. Insurance could be bought for \$4.

"We have had a really good response to the Jail n' Bail,"

Angelia Knight, counselor, said.

The chalk messages generated a strong interest in the Jail n' Bail, Knight said. The residence halls have also responded well to the programs.

"The faculty was tickled and the secretaries wanted to put their bosses in jail," Knight said.

The money raised will go for educational materials on acquaintance rape and sexual assault, which will be used in a resource library being compiled by RIGHTS.

Wednesday night was the RIGHTS

open house in the Union. A short skit was performed by two members of the RIGHTS peer group.

The skit, portraying an acquaintance rape, has been performed for 11,000 students and 12,000 parents as a way to promote assertiveness and communication in relationships.

It is a way to expand on things already known, the RIGHTS educators stressed.

"Most people can relate to this situation whether they have been in it themselves or they know someone who has been in it,"

Heidi Cue, RIGHTS trainer, said.

Prizes were given out to all those attending the open house.

The prizes were bowling tickets, food certificates, coasters, Northwest mugs, key chains and several sweatshirts.

According to RIGHTS peer educator and Perrin Resident Assistant Katie Ryan, approximately 15 people were in attendance during the Trust Walk and the Safety Awareness programs Monday and

Tuesday nights.

The Trust Walk required a blindfold and a person to lead their partner to the Union where there was a speaker.

Students were invited to walk around campus and point out areas needing additional lighting and bushes trimmed.

"We can make campus and apartments safer if we all work together," Knight said.

Campus Safety set up Personal Safety and Operation I.D.

At the residence halls, Campus Safety answered questions asked about escorts

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Angelia Knight  
counselor



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**FRESHMAN ERICCA MARSHALL talks to freshman Mark Zabelin, a captive in RIGHTS "Jail n' Bail," on Thursday, Nov. 4, in the Spanish Den. The event, part of Personal Safety Week, raised over \$400 for educational materials on rape.**

and many other assorted personal safety concerns.

Personal items such as small stereos and cameras were engraved by Campus Safety for easy identification, during Operation I.D.

Sgt. Roberta Boyd said the week's activities were a start.

"I think they need to have more and

more, not only once a year by one group, but every residence hall on campus should have them," Boyd said.

Campus Safety will be visiting Perrin and Franklin Halls to do a crime prevention and personal safety presentation Monday, Nov. 15.

Anyone wanting to set up programming should call Campus Safety.

## Handicapped students will benefit from new legislation

By CODY WALKER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Following a new law, the state of Missouri arranged a timetable in which Northwest had to access its current accommodations for handicapped students.

"Northwest determined that we needed about 1.6 million to bring the University into compliance, the committee came and we worked and negotiated with them to arrive at a figure that they would allocate to us," Gene Spear, director of environmental services, said.

"The state furthermore decided that they would only reimburse us or half, so we had to come up with the other half of the funding from our own sources," Spear said.

Spear said the Legislative Committee determined that Northwest was far and away better than any others.

"This did not necessarily mean what we had was good, but that what we had advertised as being able to have disabled students come here was pretty much what we had," Spear said. "We got a lot of press and congratulations for the shape we were in compared to the other universities, and we were pretty proud of that fact."

According to the bill, all changes must be completed by January 26, 1995.

In early 1992, congress enacted a bill which required all facilities in the United States to accommodate the handicapped.

The 'Americans with Disabilities Act' was signed into law, Jan. 26, 1992, after touring all state universities.

According to the law, all facilities whether public, or private were mandated to make their buildings accessible to the disabled.

Northwest compiled a prioritized list of the

changes that needed to be made to the campus and have been working on them since the summer 1992.

Spear said touring the campus with students with a variety of handicaps was fascinating.

"Until you walk with them and see the barriers they have and the types of embarrassing or humiliating things they have to do to get somewhere, or to get in somewhere or to do something, it really makes you feel for them," Spear said.

According to Spear, numerous exterior changes had to be made, as the list of accommodations to be made on the inside is endless.

"Once the person is inside, you need to make sure they can get to the place they have to, whether it be to work, live, or study," Spear said. "Bathrooms have to have the right-sized height sinks and toilets, and stalls have to be big enough to allow a wheelchair to turn around in them."

"Drinking fountains have to be situated so a wheelchair can get under them. And instead of doorknobs, there must be door levers since not everyone can turn a doorknob," Spear said. "And all signage has to have braille markings, so a blind person can feel and tell what room they are going into, and they have to be in a certain spot at a certain height, so they don't have to search all over for the sign."

Most of the changes done on campus will be by our own construction crew, and very little of it will be contracted out, Spear said.

"The only thing I can think of off hand which will be contracted out will be that we have to replace some elevators, and we'll have to have an architect design those into the buildings," Spear said.

Not everyone is aware of the barriers or the changes which are being made, said Spear.

## PEP helps foreign students adjust

**Second Language program provides transitional advice to international students**

By VICKI SCHEER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Studying in a foreign university is difficult enough, especially when the language barrier is taken into consideration.

The Preparatory English Program at Northwest is designed to help foreign students conquer the language barrier.

"The intent behind PEP is to help international students improve their English so they will be successful in the University," Joseph Ruff, director of the PEP, said.

English as a Second Language programs are located at colleges and universities nationwide to help international students become familiar with the English language before starting school. PEP is Northwest's ESL program.

Approximately, there are currently 60 students enrolled in PEP who are from Japan, Turkey, Taiwan, Yemen including one student with backgrounds from Poland, China, Mexico and Columbia.

Within the next few weeks, two to three students from Thailand may be joining the program.

According to Ruff, no state money is used to support this program.

"There is a real misconception, on this campus and in this town, that the University or our government is paying for these students to be here," Ruff said.

"The University is doing very well, financially, to have these students here," he said.

The students pay their full way, whether enrolled in the University or PEP Ruff added that a substantial profit is generated from PEP

that goes back into the University.

There are some scholarships offered within Turkey to the Turkish students.

The Turkish government and the Hurriyet, a Turkish newspaper, both offer scholarship programs. Eight of the Turkish students at Northwest have these scholarships.

PEP also helps its students to become more comfortable in the U.S. culture.

"Many Asian students come here thinking they should sit in class quietly and not say anything for the duration of the class, and we have to try to get them to become a little more actively involved in the learning process," Ruff said.

Many students in PEP will go on to enroll in Northwest.

To enter Northwest, students who are not citizens or who did not graduate from a U.S. high school must score 500 on the Test of English as a Second Language.

PEP tries to encourage its students to focus more on preparation for the University, though, not to focus just on the TOEFL exam.

"The TOEFL exam, in general, is just not what we consider the best test," Ruff said.

"For example, it does not test students on writing, which is a large part of work in a university," he said.

Northwest has been offering PEP to international students for over three years.

The PEP program is active throughout the year.

A new curriculum program, called the

Focal Skills Approach, was initiated at the beginning of this semester.

This curriculum program is a sequence of classes which include listening, reading, writing and then immersion, which combines all three of the skills into a college preparatory type class.

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When international students begin PEP, they are tested on all levels of the curriculum and the lowest one they do not pass is where they start.

The students are then tested again every four weeks to see if they can advance beyond their current level.

PEP students have four hours of classes every day, including a one hour elective on topics the teacher and students choose.

The elective classes change every week and include basic topics such as American culture.

"The class sizes depend on how many test into a sequence, but since we have a shortage of teachers, we have had classes as large as 35 students," Donna Brunner, PEP instructor, said.

PEP has gotten approval to add another teacher.

Brunner said this will help them, but they can still use more teachers.

PEP is currently looking for families and individuals to host students in PEP over Christmas break.

International exchange students have no place to go over Christmas break besides staying in the residence halls, Brunner said.

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## Alpha Phi Alpha hosts step show

By CODY WALKER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The unification of the Alpha Phi Alpha step show and the annual Miss Black and Gold Pageant proved successful in the first Alpha Weekend.

According to Alpha Phi Alpha President Jonathan Phillips, the past pageants had taken place in the fall while the last step show was in the spring.

"We combined the two to have one festive weekend, so the alumni could come back and see both," Phillips said.

Friday evening began with the women of the independent group, Gamma Delta Iota, stepping.

"Stepping is a form of entertainment used by black Greeks," Phillips said. "It's a combination of dance routines and chants it's an art form."

Throughout their step routines the women explained the significance and mission of GDI.

"The group formed because the African American women on campus felt that it was time to unite," Precious Payne, GDI member, said.

This was the first performance for the group since it came together a mere three weeks ago.

The five stepping Alpha men performed a number of steps which depicted the meaning of the fraternity and its purpose.

The men also incorporated the his-

tory of the fraternity into the steps with chanting and singing.

Saturday evening consisted of the annual crowning of Miss Black and Gold.

Seven contestants entered the race for the title of Queen: Tina Brackett, Jennifer McKnight, Chalanda Woods, Samantha Jones, Carleane Hawkins, Precious Payne and Cynthia Shelton.

According to Payne, the pageant was open to everyone and required an application to be filled out.

The contestants were judged in: business attire, beach wear, creative and performing arts and impromptu questioning/evening wear.

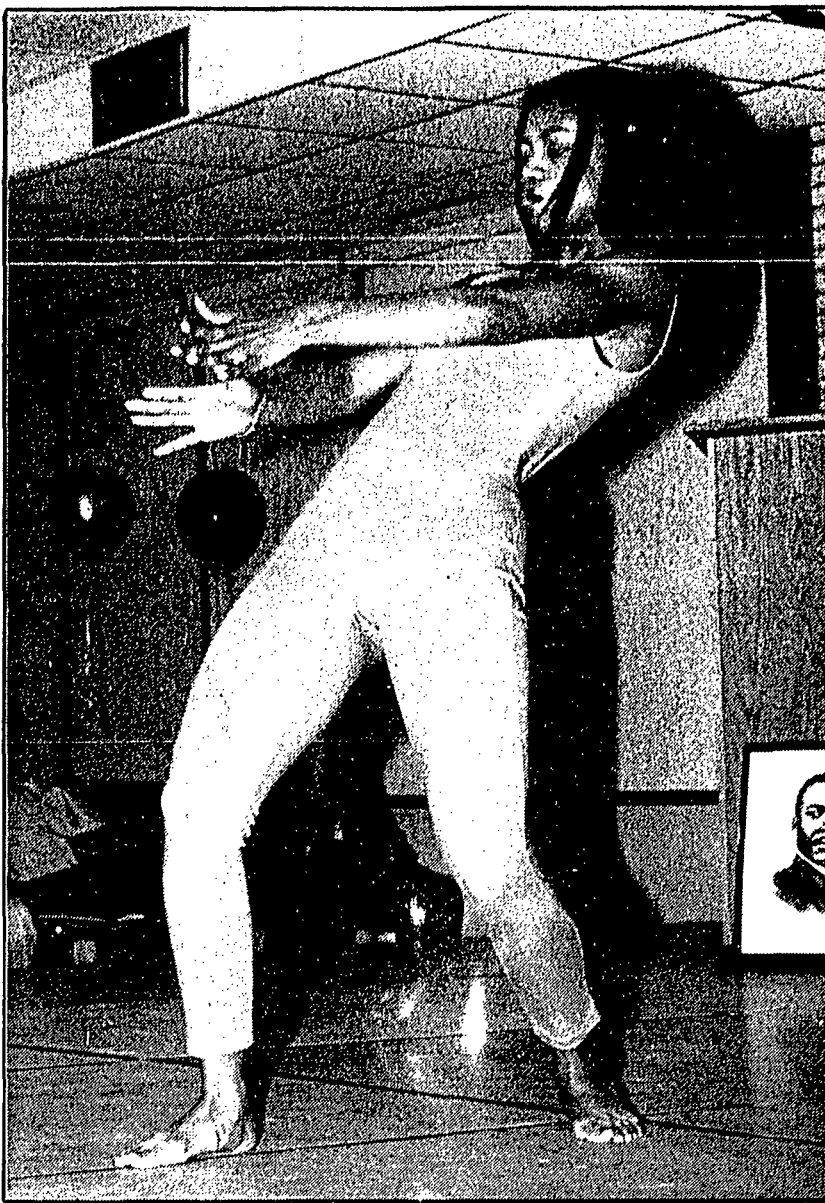
Cynthia Shelton was chosen as 1993 Miss Black and Gold.

"I decided to run because I recognized that I had good competition and I like to compete when I can do it with all my heart," Shelton said. "As queen, I feel I can represent Alpha Phi Alpha to the best of my abilities by demonstrating I am an intelligent black woman."

"I feel that I am a mirror image of the Alpha's because I am a leader. I probably would not have ran for any other fraternities because I respect the Alphas," she said.

The winner of the pageant becomes the regional representative of Alpha Phi Alpha.

She will proceed to compete in state wide and national competitions.



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CARLEANE HAWKINS, SOPHOMORE, from Kansas City, Mo., dances during the creative and performing arts of the 1993 Miss Black and Gold Pageant. The pageant is sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, Nov. 11

4 p.m. Battle of Beef entries are due in Martindale Gym.

### FRIDAY, Nov. 12

7:30 p.m. The theater department's "The Bat" will be held in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Midnight The theater department's "The Bat" will be held in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Last Day to drop a second block class in the Registrar's Office.

### SATURDAY, Nov. 13

8 a.m. Sneak Preview registration will be held in Charles Johnson Theater.

7:30 p.m. The theater department's "The Bat" will be held in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

### SUNDAY, Nov. 14

2 p.m. The theater department's "The Bat" will be held in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

### MONDAY, Nov. 15

10 a.m. Bloodmobile will be held in the Union Ballroom.

6:30 p.m. Diane Krueger will speak on "Groundwater Pollution" in 115 at Garrett-Strong.

Final Installment due in Cashiering.

### TUESDAY, Nov. 16

6 p.m. Mzingo Creek Watershed Project will be the topic of discussion at a meeting to be held in 115 Garrett-Strong. Senior major field exams will be given.

## Roberta Hall scheduled to reopen next year

Renovations postponed by unexpected delays, bad weather conditions

By CHERIE THOMAS  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Roberta Hall renovation laborers are trying to get caught up, after bad weather and unexpected time delays.

This week workers began demolition inside. This is mainly removing walls, plumbing etc., Denise Ottinger, dean of students, said.

The entryway will soon be opened

up. Instead of the main desk being in the center of the entryway, it will be to the side.

An open hall will lead to the formal lounge, much like it did in Roberta's early days.

Renovators will also be redoing bathrooms, installing new plumbing, refinishing or replacing many wood floors and installing carpet in areas. This is in addition to new paint.

The basement will have several study rooms and sorority meeting rooms, Ottinger said.

A new heating and air conditioning

system will also be installed.

"It's like buying a new car these days, you just don't get one without air conditioning," Ottinger said.

Renovations are scheduled to be finished by June so custodians can move in furniture and prepare for incoming students in August.

"We're just real excited that work is underway and we're looking forward to moving back in, so I know the students are," Ottinger said.

On the outside, the wheelchair ramp has been removed along with general demolition to stairs and sidewalks.

Work slowed during the summer when asbestos abatement took longer than hoped.

Renovators also had difficulties when a steam pipe leaked, causing mold problems.

"The mold has been contained now and work is close to being back on schedule," Ottinger said.

Ottinger said barring no other complications workers could stay on schedule and custodians wouldn't be rushed to prepare for students.

Roberta has been used in recent years to house sorority members.

## Department celebrates geography awareness week

By LONELLE RATHJE  
CHIEF REPORTER

If our world intends to have a glass of water with their meals, they must first appreciate the luxury and then work to keep that luxury alive, which is the focus of the National Geography Awareness Week.

"This is a national, week-long observance so people become more aware of geography in general," Diane Krueger, instructor of geology and adviser of the Geo Club, said. "In addition, we want to create a greater awareness of water, pollution and floods."

This year's theme, "Water Matters: Every Day, Every Where, Every Way," will focus on how water plays a role in everyday aspects of life.

The week, Nov. 14-20, will primarily examine North America and the critical role water plays in culture, agriculture, politics, economics, domestic use, health, engineering, transportation and industry.

Charles Dodds, associate professor of geography, said the department aims to create an increased awareness of geography in general.

"Number one, we want people to be very aware of the importance of water in life," Dodds said. "Number two, there needs to be an understanding of our world and other cultures."

Northwest will not be left out in the event, as the No. 2, nationally rated Geography/Geology Depart-

ment in regards to teaching staff and curriculum, have planned a week full of activities. The activities are spear-headed by Dodds and Jeff Bradley, instructor of geography.

Monday, Nov. 15, Krueger will give a presentation concerning groundwater pollution, including case studies of Superfund sites. The presentation will be at 6:30 p.m. in Garrett-Strong, Room 115.

Tuesday, Nov. 16, Bill Galletly, Maryville city manager, will discuss the Mzingo Creek Watershed Project, in terms of set-backs caused by the "Flood of '93." This will be at 6 p.m. in Garrett-Strong, Room 115.

Wednesday, Nov. 17, the sixth annual "Not-So-Trivia" contest will be held at 4:30 p.m. in Garrett-Strong, Room 115.

Thursday, Nov. 18, John Pescatori, hydrologist with the River Forecast Center and key-note speaker, will speak about the duties of the center and the problems of predicting the "Flood of '93." The presentation will be at 7 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The Geography/Geology Club (Geo Club) will host a hot dog and sloppy joe sale in Garrett-Strong, Room 116, Nov. 17-19, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Community members, students and faculty are encouraged to listen to KNIM radio for daily geography trivia questions. Winners will receive prizes from Maryville restaurants.

## GEOGRAPHY TRIVIA



1. Which of the following has the most northern mainland point: Norway, Sweden or Finland?
2. Which country is most associated with trolls?
3. The word "joss" is associated with which country?
4. On which famous equatorial chain can you find penguins?
5. Where is the second-highest minaret in the world found?
6. What is the world's only Hindu Kingdom?
7. Does Afghanistan share a border with China?
8. The average person in the United States uses how many gallons of water a day for physical and everyday use? (Drinking, washing, cooking, bathing, etc.)

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3. Hong Kong
4. Galapagos
5. 100 gallons
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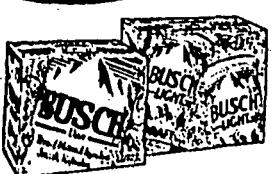
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## Sweethearts: '60s name promotes misunderstandings

In an era where political correctness ranks up there with the Bill of Rights it's interesting an organization exists on this campus, which defies not only the fundamentals of political correctness, but the women's rights movement as well.

The Bearcat Sweethearts are a "little sis" type organization which describes themselves as part of the Northwest football family.

The following is an excerpt from the groups' constitution.

"It is the goal of the Bearcat Sweethearts to be active, positive members of the Northwest football family. A member is actively involved in the recruiting process of prospective players, provides enthusiasm and appreciation of the players through the fall and spring seasons, arranges team send-offs, attends home and away games and corresponds with each Bearcat football player's family."

The underlying misconception, which many on this campus have succumbed to, is that the Bearcat Sweethearts do more than listed in their constitution. In the sake of protecting the group's honor this fallacy should be rectified immediately.

But how can we blame those who have fallen into this trap when the organization at face value lends itself well to these misconceptions.

The name is degrading and sexist and the fact that the organization consists only of women does not help the situation either.

It is inconceivable this organization continues to exist in the 1990s. While the group may have been appropriate in the 1960s it is inappropriate in a society that claims to value women's equality.

### Women need to re-evaluate roles

Perhaps the most frightening aspect of the group is they seem to promote the exact secondary supportive roles women across the country have been furiously fighting to eliminate.

As a part of these women's college education they are learning to step aside and support the opposite sex instead of stepping forward and playing an active role in supporting themselves.

This is behavior that American women have fought to remove from our schools, workplaces and society however, obviously we have yet to eliminate.

The group lists in its constitution membership for the organization will consist of "around forty to forty-five young ladies."

What does the word "young" mean? If a non-traditional student in her 40's wanted to join the organization would she qualify as "young"? Recruiting does not seem to be an activity which would restrict an older student from actively participating.

### Group discriminates against males

On the same note, what is the rationale behind the exclusion of men from the organization? The description listed above does not include any activities which would be limited to females. This very thought process contributes to the many misconceptions about the organization. If the activities involved are not gender specific, why is the group?

Why in this era does a group which lists its members as "forty to forty-five young ladies" exist?

In the Sweetheart constitution it states "In order to become a member of the organization, each girl must fill out an application which is submitted to the football office."

These members, and perspective members, are women and should be referred to as such. The women who belong to this organization must stand up for their own rights if nothing else and demand political correctness.

The women which belong to this organization should be commended for getting involved in a campus organization. However, this organization needs to wake up and join the generation of the '90s.

The Bearcat Sweethearts should undergo a name change as well as redefining their goals and values. Perhaps Bearcat Student Boosters would be a more appropriate name. The group should also be open to all students willing to support the football team.



Kris Underwood  
Associate Editor

### KEY QUOTE

"I love the game and I'm glad I played, but I'm also glad it's over. There is a lot of hard work involved in playing and now I'm ready to get on with my life."

Heldi Yurka, senior volleyball player about the final game of the 1993 season and her

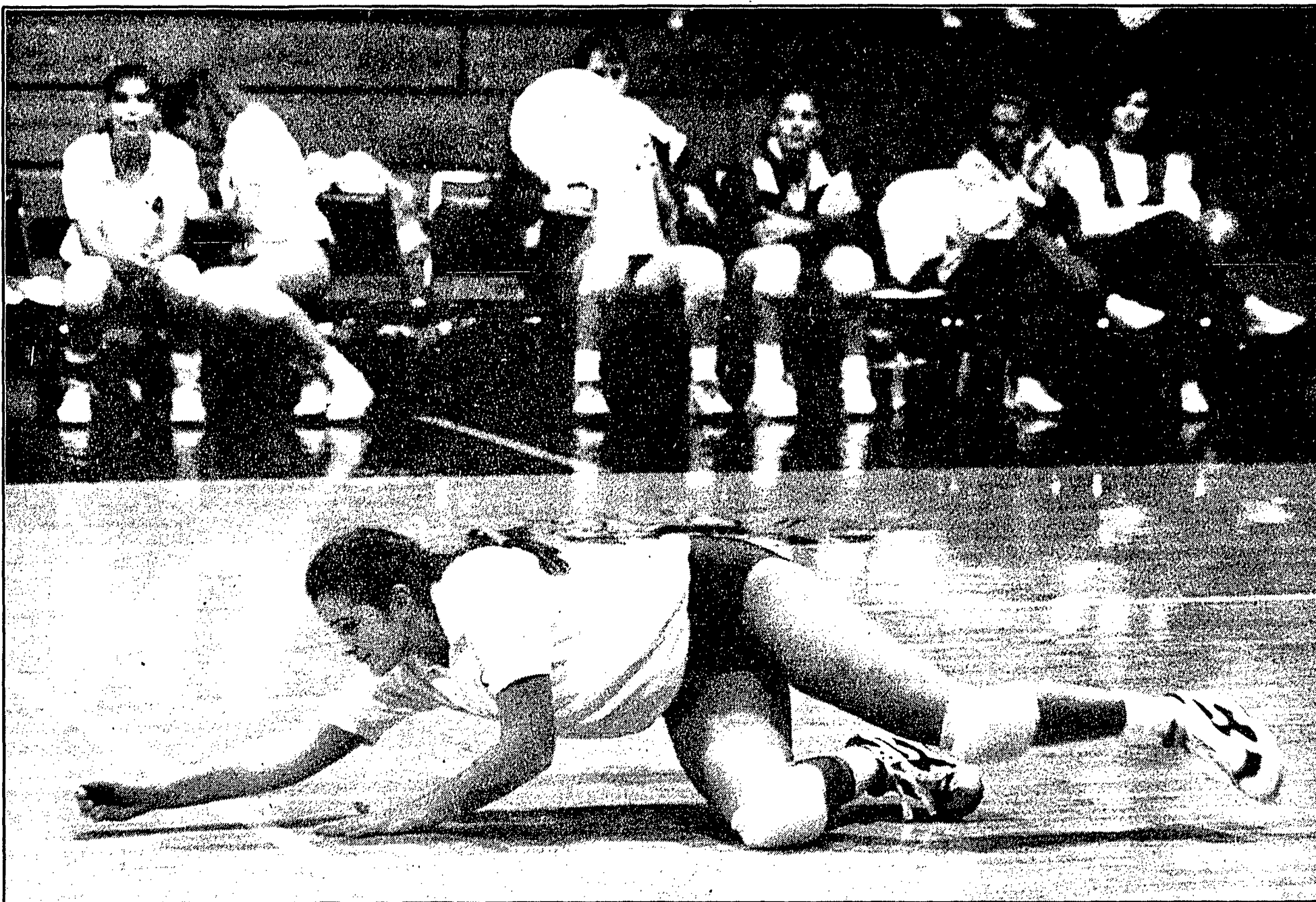
### CHIEFS WATCH



This week's game ...  
opponent: Green Bay Packers  
score: 23-16

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opponent: Los Angeles Raiders  
when: Sunday, Oct. 14, 3 p.m.  
where: Los Angeles, Calif.

# 'Cats end season with loss



JON BRITTON/Northwest Missourian

Junior offensive hitter Angle Crouch dives to save the ball but misjudges her aim. The Bearcats lost to Missouri-St. Louis in three games bringing their final match

record to 12-24 for the 1993 season and 6-13 in the MIAA Conference. Seniors Tracie Simmons, Heldi Yurka and Becky Brown ended their careers with all-time records.

## Riverwomen trample Bearcats in 3 games

Three seniors play last game for Northwest; collectively make most kills for graduating class

By MATT MARCKMANN  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Northwest saw the careers of three impressive seniors come to a close over the weekend.

Becky Brown, Tracie Simmons and Heldi Yurka, who accumulated the most kills ever for a Bearcat graduating class (1,920), finished their careers Saturday, Nov. 6 with a loss to the University of Missouri-St. Louis 15-7, 15-9, 15-3, which gave the 'Cats a 12-24 overall record for the 1993 season.

The 'Cats finished 5-13 in MIAA with a .278 percentage.

"Every year you're going to lose seniors, but

we're really losing a lot this season," head coach Sarah Pelster said. "All three of them were consistent attackers, plus Becky and Heidi were a force on digs and Tracie a force of the blocks."

Brown finishes her career as the school's all-time leader in digs with 1,224 and is the first Bearcat to get over 1,000 kills and digs in a career. She also led the team in kills, digs, and service aces this year and has played in the last 126 matches.

"I never thought I would accomplish all that I have," Brown said. "I feel bad that we had a tough year as a team, but I'm very happy with my accomplishments."

Yurka ends her career third on the 'Cats all-time dig list with 1,027 and a career-high 401 digs.

"I love the game and I'm glad I played, but I'm also glad it's over," Yurka said. "There's a lot of hard work involved with playing and now I'm ready to

move on with my life."

Simmons was third on the team with 192 kills and led in all three blocking categories with 35 solo, 65 assisted and 100 total.

Even in the wake of losing these three seniors coach Pelster talked about the 'Cats young talent. "A lot of freshman had an opportunity to play and this should help make us competitive in the upcoming years," Pelster said.

Jennifer Pittrich, freshman setter, was one of the young players Pelster was excited about. As only a freshman she led the team in assists with 1,126. She also set records for most assists in a game (59), most assists in a season, and most digs by a freshman (385).

"There are some great young players on this team," Brown said. "They should be very good in the next few years and I wish them all luck."

"Every year you're going to lose seniors, but we're really losing a lot this season."

Sarah Pelster  
volleyball coach

## 'Cats kick back until spring; Team ropers take 1st place

Thanks to Oklahoma win, 2 Northwest team members have shot at regional title

By CHRISTI WHITTEN  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Northwest rodeo team members sophomore Justin Gregory and freshman Ty Hulse left Northwestern Oklahoma State University Saturday, Nov. 6 with more than smiles on their faces and money in their pockets.

They also left with an opportunity to win the Central Plains Region Team Roping title. Gregory and Hulse won the team roping event at the Northwestern Oklahoma collegiate rodeo in Alva, Okla., with a time of 8.9 seconds in the long go round and 7.7 seconds in the short go round.

"This is my last shot," was all that was going through my head," Hulse said. "I knew if I caught it would pay."

Going into the final performance, the two were tied three ways for 10th place with teams from powerhouse schools such as Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, Southwestern Oklahoma State University and Ft. Scott Community College, Kan.

"This is the toughest region of all the collegiate rodeo regions," Hulse said.

"The Northwest team is young and has lots of talent. It just shows that we are going to be strong and very competitive in this region," he said.

The Central Plains Region is home to the 1993 Men's National Intercollegiate Rodeo Team, Southwestern Oklahoma State and many men and women who possess indi-

vidual championship titles.

Others competing in the team roping were Sean Martin, Ryan Ross, Buck Selles, Dustin Sheldon, and Chris Stuva.

Northwest team members also competed in steer wrestling, calf roping, breakaway roping, bull riding, bareback riding and even bull fighting.

Those competing were Hillary Kocis, Jason Cisper, Chad Hunt, John Eisenhauer, and Aaron Loewe.

Working against the clock and mental mistakes kept many of the team members from making it back to the short go.

"It was a tough rodeo, but not impossible to win if you cut out the mental mistakes," Cisper said about missing his steer in the steer wrestling event. "I guess I didn't do that this weekend."

Cisper and Sheldon missed their steers but freshman Ross caught his and brought him down for a time of 6.6 seconds. But, it was not fast enough to qualify for the short go.

Kocis missed her calf in the breakaway roping and Hulse's calf streaked past him and refused to be caught during the Thursday night performance. Selles caught but did not qualify for the final performance.

In the rough stock events, Hunt rode for a score of 65 and Eisenhauer received a 35 in the saddlebronc riding event.

The Northwest rodeo team will hang up their spurs until next spring when they resume their 1993-94 rodeo schedule. But they will have to work harder in the spring.

"Spring is always tougher," Stuva said. "You have to get not only yourself back into shape but also the horse."



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

USING ALL OF HIS STRENGTH, Ryan Ross, wrestles a steer to the ground during a Northwest Rodeo team practice. The team competed at Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Nov. 5-6, at which two members took first place in team roping.

### PLAYER WATCH

#### Jason Melnick

Class: Freshman  
Hometown: Joplin, Mo. (Joplin HS)

Major: Physical Education  
Current Stats:

Has the highest total for receiving yards in a game with 113 against Emporia State  
Ranks sixth in the MIAA in receiving yards in a game with 42.4 yards per game  
Has the most receptions in game with six  
Last year's stats: Sixth-team all-state, second team all-conference, and first team academic-all-conference selection





# CMSU annihilates Bearcats in 41-10 win

By MATT KITZI  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Central Missouri State University running back Henry Caldwell ran through, over and around a beleaguered Bearcat defense as the Mules pounded Northwest 41-10 in Warrensburg, Mo., last weekend.

Caldwell, The MIAA's leading ground-gainer, rushed for a career-high 202 yards and scored four touchdowns in a performance which netted him the MIAA Offensive Player of the Week award.

The Bearcats were able to keep the reins on Caldwell and the CMSU offense through the first quarter, and led 3-0 on a 28-yard field goal by senior kicker Ryan Scheib.

The Northwest lead was short-lived, though, as Caldwell and Mule quarterback Paul Kaiser put on an offensive clinic.

A shoulder injury to senior quarterback Lawrence Luster that ended his day did not help matters, either. "I felt like in the first quarter we hung in there with

them pretty good," Bearcat head coach Bud Elliott said. "But there was a big difference in our performance when Luster went out of the game."

Caldwell started his scoring antics with a six-yard scoring jaunt, and then pulled in a 32-yard pass from Kaiser to up the score to 14-3. Kaiser and Caldwell each added a short touchdown run, and then the 'Cats kicking-game woes struck again.

In a not-to-unfamiliar occurrence, the Bearcats special teams had a kicking play go awry, and this time the mistake led to a CMSU touchdown as Joe McCabe recovered a blocked punt in the end zone to put the game out of reach.

It was the fourth time a Northwest opponent has blocked a punt, and the second time the ball was recovered for a touchdown. The 'Cats have also had three extra points blocked, four kicks flat-out missed, and two running attempts stopped, for a 73 percent success rate on point-after tries. In comparison, Northwest opponents have made good on 85 percent of their point-after conversions.

After the McCabe touchdown, each team scored once more, the Bearcats on a 2-yard run by senior fullback Grant McCartney in the fourth quarter. It was the sixth for McCartney, who leads the team in touchdowns.

Central's defense harnessed the Bearcat rushing attack, holding the 'Cats to just 78 yards on 49 attempts, an average of less than two yards a carry.

"Central is the best defensive team in the conference and they showed that Saturday," Elliott said. "We didn't challenge their offense very well."

Freshman quarterback Greg Teale saw a lot of playing time due to Luster's injury, completing 5-of-14 passes for 75 yards, and also engineered the Bearcat scoring drive in fourth quarter.

## PREVIEW

The 'Cats will end the season against the nation's sixth-ranked Division II team, Missouri Southern State College. The Lions, who are looking to finish the regular season undefeated, claimed a 47-33 win over University of Missouri-Rolla last weekend.

The Missouri Southern offense is led by pre season All-American Matt Cook, who missed all of last season with a broken collarbone. Cook has thrown for 2,149 yards and 23 touchdowns, and has been intercepted seven times. In his career, Cook has put 19 records in the Missouri Southern book.

Cook's favorite target is NFL-hopeful Rod Smith. Smith, who holds the NCAA Division II record for yards per reception over an entire season at 24.0, has caught 13 touchdowns passes this year.

"We're facing the No. 6 team in the nation ... and they deserve to be there," Elliott said. "Cook will probably be up for All-American at quarterback and Smith is definitely an All-American candidate at receiver."

Saturday's game will mark the final appearance for 13 Bearcat seniors, including starters Cody Buhrmeister, Ben Hansen, Jason Krone, Grant McCartney, Ahmed Mortis, Ryan Scheib and Antonio Sparrow. It will also be the last game for Luster, who may not play due to an injury.

## STATLINE

NW	CMSU
14	First downs 16
49-78	Rushes-yds. 33-250
119	Passing-yds. 140
7-18-1	Comp-Att-Int. 8-16-1
67-197	Plays-yds. 49-390
6-28.3	Punts-average 2-31.5
3-0	Fumbles-lost 3-2
6-40	Penalties-yds. 8-66
5-18	Third downs 8-10
37:42	Time of poss. 22:18

## 'CATS: Individual Stats

RUSHING:	Ford 6-24; Teale 3-19; Luster 6-14; Brooks 6-14; McCartney 7-10, 1TD; Krone 2-4; Thurman 2-6
PASSING:	Teale 5-14-1, 75 yds; Luster 2-4-0, 44 yds.
RECEIVING:	Molnick 2-26; Ford 2-23; McCartney 1-37; Horn 1-30; Thurman 1-3
TACKLES:	Massey 9; Buhrmeister 9; Sparrow 7; Willis 7; Morris 6

# Chiefs mania sweeps Midwest, campus

K.C. fans have reason to whoop 'n' hollar now with season 6-2 start

By NATE OLSON  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The Kansas City Chiefs are off to their best start ever at 6-2. It seems like everyone is buzzing with excitement. Northwest students are no exception.

This was evident the day the Chiefs played the Broncos. Many Northwest students, who also happened to be K.C. fans, blended the Chiefs' red and yellow into their attire.

"Ever since I've grown up I've watched them," freshman Cody Murphy said. "I usually go to a few games each year."

Other people have been fans but their interest has been heightened by the Chiefs' ability and will to win.

"They're showing they want to win," sophomore Kevin Harrington said. "For a long time they didn't have the potential to win."

There are still others that just enjoy watching the exciting brand of football the Chiefs bring to the game.

"They're a good team that is fun to watch and they have some very good players," freshman Nick Buswell said.

It is a given that most Chiefs fans are huddled around their TV sets watching a game on Sunday, but what do some fans do when they are not able to

watch a game.

"I usually can wait to watch the news to see the highlights and find out what happened," freshman Joe Cox said.

Freshman Jason Yeager said that on Sundays he is never without the access of a TV or radio so he can find out the outcomes as they unfold.

"I never miss a game," Yeager said. "If I don't watch it on TV I hear it on the radio."

If Harrington misses a game he prefers to watch it in its entirety later.

"I usually tape it and then watch it when I have time," Harrington said.

The fact the Chiefs are 6-2 has fans more excited than usual and it also makes them expect more.

"I think the winning season was expected," Yeager said. "There is no reason why the Chiefs shouldn't win the Super Bowl this year."

Buswell is a little more cautious in his predictions, but, he too thinks the Chiefs have a great possibility of doing well in the next few weeks.

"They're doing well right now, and if they keep everyone healthy they'll do OK," Buswell said.

Murphy said he likes how the success is resulting in increased fan support.

"The Chiefs are a great team," Murphy said. "It is great how the fans have been supporting them this year."

The main controversy, which has



JON BRITTON/Northwest Missourian

**FRESHMAN JOE COX and Junior Clearance Williams cheer the Chiefs on as they squeal the Green Bay Packers, 23-16, Monday night.**

been surrounding the Chiefs this season, has been Joe Montana. When he is healthy the Chiefs have won. It would seem that most fans appreciate Montana so far, even though he has been injured.

Cox believes Montana is the Chiefs' ticket to the Super Bowl.

"I think he'll take us all the way," Cox said. "He's one of the best things that has happened to the Chiefs."

Montana's being in Kansas City has a special meaning for Harrington.

"I lived in San Francisco at the beginning of his career, so I know what he's capable of," Harrington said. "What Montana can do is unbeliev-

able. He's one of the best come-back quarterbacks to have in the fourth quarter."

Other fans would beg to differ. "He's a good player but the Chiefs don't need him," Yeager said. "Dave Krieg is good enough if the line protected him as good as they do Montana."

If the season record is a hint of what is to come, Chiefs fans will have a lot to cheer about. The verdict is still out on whether the Chiefs can go to the Superbowl, but there is not much doubt in the minds of Missourians and Northwest students that the Chiefs will still be playing at the end of January.

# 'Cats conclude '93 season without advancing

By GENE CASSELL  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Most people say it is supposed to be warmer down south, well that is not always the case as the Northwest Bearcat cross country teams finished out their 1993 campaign with cold temperatures and flurries in Joplin, Mo.

The 'Cats women's team finished 13 out of the 19 teams with 311 points in the Great Lakes Regional. The event was won by the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.

Parkside had 74 points, and with the win they advance to the NCAA II national event in Riverside, Calif. Nov. 22.

Also advancing with Wisconsin-Parkside will be Central Missouri State University.

The regional meet was won by Kristen Crouch of Michigan Tech in a time of 18 minutes and 10 seconds.

The team's 13th place finish pleased women's head coach Ron DeShon.

"We did real well," he said. "We were close to being in the top 10 and our goal at the beginning of the year was to do better in each meet."

Leading the Northwest over the five-kilometer course was sophomore Renee Stains. Stains finished 20th overall in the 129-women field with a time of 18 minutes and 53.5 seconds.

The time broke the five kilometer school record of 18:54 previously set by Lisa Vasach in 1984. Stains also broke the record for the three-mile split of 18:17 held by Ann Kimm with a time of 18:14.8.

"Breaking the records makes me feel good knowing that I accomplished something through all the hard work in practice," Stains said.

The men's team competition at regionals was won by Lewis University, Ill. Lewis won the event with 65 points. CMSU will be sending their men's team as well as Emporia State.

The event was won by Emporia State harrier Jurnain Mitchell. Mitchell covered the 10-kilometer meet in 30:27.

Leading the Bearcats was junior Shannon Wheeler with a time of 33:29. Wheeler finished 59 overall out of the 144 runners who completed the race.

With a solid core of returners, DeShon is upbeat about next year's team.

"We have two solid ladies to build off of," DeShon said. "And with some recruits, we could plug some holes and have a very productive season next year."

Men's head coach Richard Alsup is also looking forward to next year's team.

"We have a very good nucleus coming back," said Alsup.

Freshman Jack Harris has the same thoughts on the men for the next edition of the Bearcat harriers. "We should be pretty good with Shannon Wheeler, Jason August and myself returning," Harris said.

## SPORTS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**SATURDAY** Football vs. Missouri Southern, 1 p.m.  
Blades at San Diego, 9 p.m.

**SUNDAY** Chiefs at Los Angeles Raiders, 3 p.m. **TV**

**MONDAY** Blades at San Diego, 9 p.m.

**TUESDAY** Blades at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

## IN THE OUTFIELD

### Nicks edge Cavaliers in last seconds with 3

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) - No matter how many points he had scored to that point, Patrick Ewing couldn't be of much help with his team trailing by three points in the closing seconds.

Or so it would seem.

Ewing's pick freed John Starks for a 3-point shot from the left baseline that sent the game into overtime, and the New York Knicks went on to beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 115-107 on Sunday night. Ewing scored 44.

"Pat did a great job of coming back out and setting a screen, and John just dribbled to a dead corner and stretched it away from Brad," Knicks coach Pat Riley said. "John made a miracle shot. You need that every now and then. To be able to get off a 3 when they know that's the only thing that can beat them is an accomplishment in itself."

"Patrick Ewing deserves a lot of credit not only for the shots he made during the game, but for that screen he made to free up Starks for the corner jump shot," said Cleveland coach Mike Fratello, winless in his first two games since returning to NBA coaching after three years as an NBC announcer. "It was a great game. We have nothing to be ashamed about."

### Phoenix Suns hand out pointers to rookies

PHOENIX (AP) - The Phoenix Suns didn't want to start their home schedule with a loss, so Kevin Johnson sparked the season's first win and gave rookie Bobby Hurley a bit of a lesson in the process.

Johnson had 32 points, 14 assists and nine rebounds in Phoenix's 132-110 victory Sunday night over Sacramento.

"He is very hard to stop," Hurley said. "I watched him on tape and it is just not the same in person. He was killing me with that cross-over to the left side."

That cross-over helped Johnson drive to 18 first-half points and eight assists, finding Charles Barkley and A.C. Green open for layups.

"When you play a new guy, you want to put some doubt in his mind right away so he spends time worrying about you instead of his game," Johnson said of Hurley, an All-American at Duke before being chosen seventh overall in the draft.

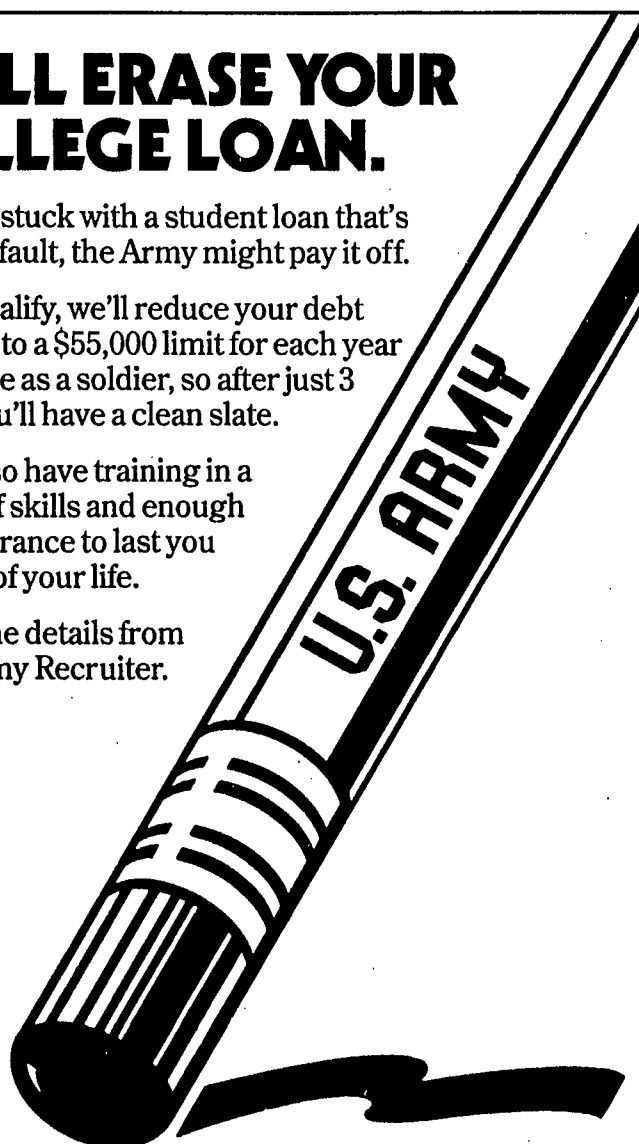
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## HAVIN' FUN YET?

*Literary Series offers opportunity to hear great tales*

Reading was the focus of fun a couple of weeks ago, yet sometimes it might be more economical (for time sake) to listen to someone read to you out loud.



**Shane Whitaker**  
Columnist

There is an opportunity at Northwest to hear four readings in the Literary Series sponsored by the English department. However, both chances given this semester have passed.

Michael Harper, a poet from Brown University and Poet Laureate of Rhode Island, read selections of his poetry several months ago. He amassed an audience, in which extra chairs had to be brought in at the last minute, at the Conference Center, to hear his work.

A rather robust black man, Harper reminded me of James Earl Jones ("Fields of Dreams" and the voice of Darth Vader). His voice was powerful as the words spoken.

Harper only read 10 poems, but what he said between his selections—the message of his gospel—was powerful. He carried himself like a man who deserved much respect. Harper got respect from his audience.

He told anecdotes which brought out laughs. He made references to which many people were ignorant, but he did not laugh at the ignorance—he just suggested we need to learn more about what is around us.

Harper made a lot of references to music. Jazz plays a large part in the poems and life of Harper. He knew his music, and his poems reflected the learning and his love for the beat of jazz. He was able to form a tempo which is only there when the poem is read aloud.

By only listening to the words and not being able to see them, something was missing. The structure of the poem was not there in front of me to examine, but the richness of the emphasis the orator was able to put on his own gems was worth not seeing the arrangement.

The next writer in the series was a novelist of Chicano background, Rudolfo Anaya. Coming from New Mexico, Anaya said his home state is one, if not the only state in America with a special spirituality.

Anaya grew up in a Spanish speaking home, but when he started school he was taught in English. He said he considers himself to be bilingual, but because of years of schooling his writing is done in English.

He started off his readings last Thursday, Nov. 4, with a tale of deer hunting in the mountains around Los Alamos, N.M. This is where the first nuclear bomb testing was performed, and implications for what was to come was frightening. Anaya warned the audience before he read the selection it was scary, but not until it was over did the horror of the tale sink in.

Getting into the Binkins mood, Anaya's next selection busted several guts. The story came from a book written over 20 years ago, and it was very light hearted especially around the devil's deer.

The story revolved around the "bad" kids of a grammar school, and their having to do a Christmas play. There were a large number of characters in the piece, but Anaya did an interpretation of his writing which kept everything clear. In fact, I think if I were reading the piece myself I would have been lost.

### Class benefits from writers visit

Due to the length of the pieces, Anaya wasn't able to fit in any more readings. However, Anaya guest lectured in Esther Winter's Multi-ethnic Literature class the next day, and he was able to do another reading.

He was able to bring out some of the tradition of his culture in the piece and the changes in that culture. The slaughtering of pigs was the basis of the selection, yet the story was not disgusting until it went into draining the blood from the pig to make blood pudding.

Harper also guest lectured in Winter's class. He did an exercises in which students were to compose their own poems.

Next semester there will be opportunities to see two more writers. Not only are they good chances to hear writings, but the cultural experience these writers have to offer is worth a trip in 30 below weather to the Conference Center.

Reading to friends can also be fun. Poetry is usually easier to read to one another. It allows for a short attention, and then everyone can do an analysis of the writing.

When driving a car long distances bring a friend a long who will read to you, yet make sure the person reading won't get sick from reading in a car. It might be easier to check out the large-type editions from the library.

Turn off the television and have a good old family reading, and while your at it read this column to a friend.

Read/ Read out loud/ Read out strong/ Na Na Na Na Na/ Na Na Na Na Na ...

# Public Display

*It rivals a passionate, hot, steamy scene out of an X-rated movie. It's the couple in the corner going at it with no regard to the other people around them, who are laughing and saying, not so quietly, "Get a room!"*

By BROOKE MANNING  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

**T**he couple, among many others, has a raging case of PDAs, otherwise known as public displays of affection. PDAs can be anywhere from uncomfortable to revolting to down right disgusting by people who are forced to witness it.

"You see it all the time," John Berran, junior, said. "But every once in a while you see a couple in a dark corner salivating all over each other's faces, and that's not fun to watch."

"It doesn't really bother me unless it looks like they should be in a hotel room instead," Berran said. "But as far as kissing and holding hands, that doesn't bother me."

The vague notion of what degree of affection is accepted in public and what isn't, generally is the same among most students. The concept of privacy for these couples with the PDAs seems non-existent.

"I think like holding hands or a kiss is okay, but nothing like make-out city," Sheila Murray, senior, said. "I think they need to take it to the bedroom if they need to paw each other."

The "P" in PDA lends itself to some amount of controversy. "It depends on what you consider public," John Finn, junior, said.

"Everyday common situations like down the street, in a mall area or on campus, that's not okay, but other places with a more appropriate atmosphere, like a drinking establishment, it's okay to a point. And even there, only casual contact," he said.

Some couples do more than simply draw attention. They become the center ring of entertainment. It seems to be public television with a twist.

"At a party, a couple yielded to the earthly pleasures in front of God and a lot of everybody's," Finn said. "They were not trying to be discreet about it. Everybody was out there. That was a worst case scenario. Usually it's a lot lighter than that."

PDAs have been considered a social faux pas since birth for most people, who distinctly remember either seeing a sexual scene in a movie or in real life with their parents, and being uncomfortable without really knowing why.

"When I was really young, my parents and some of my brothers and sisters were out with my parents and they were obviously trying to shield us from a hot and heavy couple," Joe Gray, junior, said. "I guess you just assume from an early age that public displays of affection are wrong."

Some high schools have rules that prohibit kissing, with heavy penalties for breaking the rule.

"I almost got suspended from high school because a teacher thought she saw me kissing my boyfriend, and we were just hugging," Joy Ottinger, senior, said. "It was okay to hug or hold hands, but no kissing was allowed."

Another possibility why PDAs fall from accepted norms

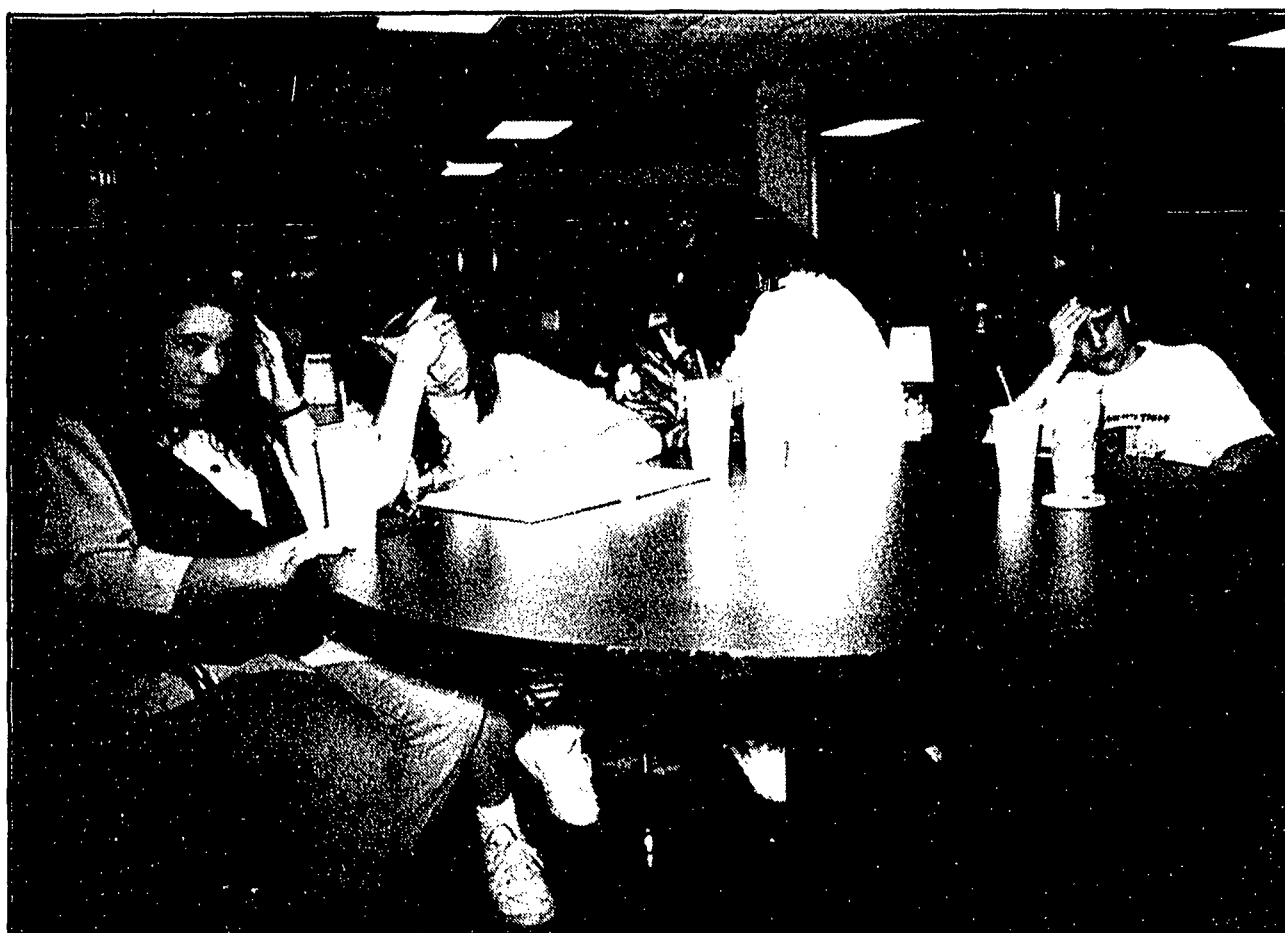


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# of Affection

## Virgins: Students choose to abstain from sex

**Driving force behind celibacy may be religion; use of self control needed**

By KELLY EDMISTER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

*Due to the nature of this story some names have been changed for privacy.*

Recent studies indicate sexual activity among young people is at its peak; evidently overlooking a seemingly scarcer population which chooses to abstain from sex altogether.

Very few college students would ever admit to being a virgin or celibate, yet they regard their sex-free lifestyles as actually quite bearable in such a sexually fueled culture as ours.

So how are these students able to turn their cheeks on temptation and peer pressure when the odds seem to weigh so heavily against them? Their apparent motives seem to be closely dependent on strong religious convictions, perse-

ance, self-esteem and self-respect.

Scott, a 20-year-old virgin, credits his religious belief as the primary reason he chooses to abstain.

"My religious belief of abstinence until marriage motivates me to be a virgin and the reason I think I'm motivated is because I have a strong belief and strong self control and will power," Scott said.

Scott considers his conscious effort a rare attribute among the majority of his peers who have already succumbed to peer pressure.

Mike Lund, Northwest graduate student and father of a teenage boy, believes understanding the pressures young people face can be difficult and that they will learn more by example than the advice of others.

"You create a double standard situation whether you want to or not," Lund said. "I think the religious aspect coincides with the fact that children are going to learn by example more than by words."

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of society could be because those who are watching are, indeed, not participating.

"Some people don't care," Berran said. "They're going to do what they're going to do. People just complain because they're jealous they're not doing it."

PDAs may not be the most pleasant to witness, but revulsion isn't always the first reaction by some students who have witnessed it.

"I don't think it's all that cool," Cindy Powers, sophomore, said. "The first thing you think when you see people necking is get a room or go back to your room or, sometimes, 'I wish it was me.'"

So according to students, hugging and kissing is in, but groping and swapping spit is out. And if you and your significant other are sharing an intimate moment and you happen to hear "get a room," be assured that you, too, have a case of PDAs.

# SAYWHAT?

The Inside Scoop on the Entertainment Industry

**DANCING, DINNER, CELEBRITIES** Country singer Clint Black and wife Lisa Hartman Black will be hosting a party to benefit Midwest flood victims. A night of dancing, dinner and a celebrity auction will be Nov. 22.

**NOT AGAIN** Pop singer, Michael Jackson, is in the news again. It seems Jackson has a small tooth problem. A spokesman said the pop star will need to get an abscessed molar removed. Jackson will cancel two shows to take care of his tooth.

**OFF TO REHAB** Rapper of Public Enemy, Flavor Flav, is expected to check into a rehabilitation center. The rapper is charged with firing a gun at his neighbor. William Drayton, Flavor Flav, is charged with attempted murder and gun possession.

**ALL IN THE FAMILY** The Jackson family will be reunited on television for a two-hour NBC special. The special will be shown around the world on Jan. 10. It will be the first time in nearly 20 years the entire family will perform together. Friends of the family will also appear on the show.

**IT'S MEANT TO BE** Famed actor, Tom Hanks, crashed a wedding not so long ago. Well, not really crashed it, he was driving by and a bride were standing on the church steps. Hanks jumped out of his car and gave the bride a big hug and his blessings for the marriage.

**ANOTHER MOVIE, MAYBE** The Amy Fisher-Joey Buttafuoco saga lives on. But now,

Mrs. Buttafuoco is getting a piece of the action. Rumors are flying that Mary Jo Buttafuoco will appear in an exclusive interview on FOX, who is offering her according to a check request obtained by "Entertainment Weekly" over \$500,000. But there is more, a possible movie is in the works for the entire clan again.

**SEEING THE FUTURE** A film version of the '30s radio show, "The Shadow," is expected to be out next summer. In recent shooting Alec Baldwin, who plays a crime fighter, said he did not like the dress chosen for co-star, Penelope Ann Miller. He said that the dress should burn. The next morning when they returned to the set the dress had caught on fire, according to Miller.

**THE LONGEST PRESENT** Oliver Stone's newest film, "Heaven and Earth," could be yet another epic for Stone, who is known for longer films. The trailer for the film clocks in at over three minutes.

**NEW LINGO** "Details" magazine has spelled out a new term for the '90s: DOMO (noun): a downwardly mobile professional, usually under 40, who breaks off a promising or successful career to pursue more meaningful or spiritual activities.

**IT'S OVER** Whoopi Goldberg and Ted Danson have called it quits after 18 months, according to Daily Variety. The breakup is unrelated to the incident at the Frains Club roast. Source: Kansas City Star, USA Today and Entertainment Weekly

# Safety top priority for hunters

**Tradition of hunting finds roots in family; students enjoy sport**

By KIM TODD  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Out of the primordial mists of mankind, the art of the hunt was born.

Whether for food or simply for sport, with primitive spears, sharp knives, crossbows or rifles, hunting has always been an integral part of human existence and its survival.

According to Ed Higdon, Nodaway County conservation agent, many people hunt today because of tradition.

"In today's society, where you can run into most any supermarket and pick up prepackaged meat, there isn't really any necessity to hunt for food," Higdon said.

"However, a majority of men and women do continue to hunt, because of family custom. Their great-grandfather hunted, so did their grandfather and father. It becomes more of a family tradition than anything else."

Todd Simmons, senior, said he likes hunting because he was brought up to appreciate the fun of the sport.

"I was raised in a hunting family," Simmons said. "Why, even my girlfriend enjoys the sport. It's a tradition and one I personally enjoy."

Higdon said hunting is also popular because people like the taste of wild game.

"A lot of individuals find wild game such as deer, to be more flavorful than beef," Higdon said.

"In most instances, stocking up a freezer with deer steaks, ribs and patties is also less expensive than trying to do so with store-bought meat," he said.

Simmons believes deer meat to

be very similar in taste to beef.

"I have eaten and enjoyed deer meat for about 12 years and actually, I can't tell that there's that much difference between deer and beef," Simmons said.

According to Mark Staten, senior, hunting is also a terrific way to enjoy the great outdoors.

"There is nothing better than being outside at dawn with a group of buddies and a big buck in your sights," Staten said. "There is a lot of camaraderie between fellow hunters. In addition, there is something exhilarating about tracking a deer through the woods. Putting your skill against the speed and agility of such a magnificent animal is quite a feeling."

In contrast, Heather Houseworth, senior, said if there is not any real need to hunt for food, then people should not hunt at all.

"I'm against hunting for sport," Houseworth said. "If you have to play a game, I don't think you have to take something's life to do it. I simply don't understand killing for

fun."

According to Higdon, one of the primary reasons the conservation department advocates hunting is to keep wild game from overpopulating.

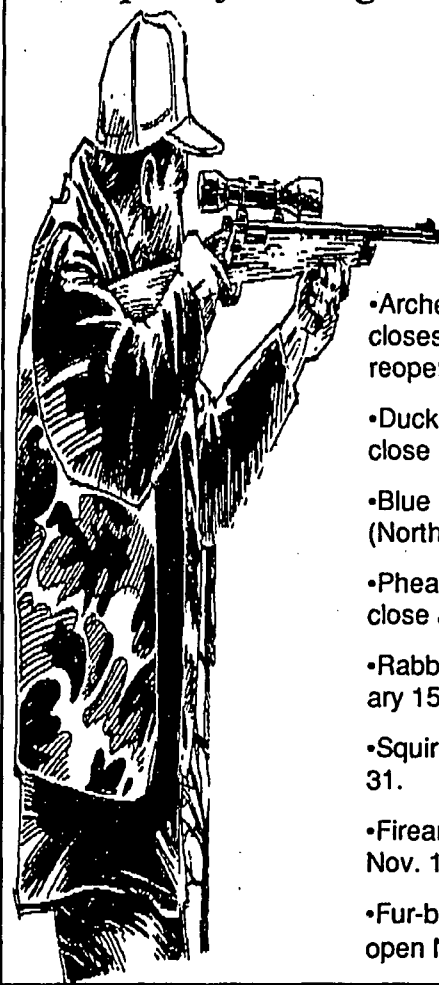
"Hunters play an important role in keeping these animals from overpopulating," Higdon said. "Overpopulation can cause serious problems. Not only do farmers have fields destroyed, but an increase can instigate higher cases of disease and starvation."

Shari Dessen, senior, said hunting to keep animal populations balanced was acceptable.

"Deer and many other animals would have a hard time, if they grew to such numbers that there was not enough land or food to support them," Dessen said.

## 'TIS THE SEASON OF HUNTING

*Many hunters invade the woods between the months of October and February to conquer the sport of hunting.*



### Open Seasons:

• Archery Deer and Turkey season closes tomorrow. The season will reopen Nov. 22 to Dec. 31.

• Duck Season (North Zone) will close Nov. 28.

• Blue and Snow Goose season (North Zone) will close Jan. 17.

• Pheasant and Quail season will close Jan. 15.

• Rabbit season will close February 15.

• Squirrel season will close Dec. 31.

• Firearm Deer season will open Nov. 13 and run until Nov. 21.

• Fur-bearing Animal season will open Nov. 20 and close Jan. 20.

Higdon said hunting helps with some of the misfortunes that can take place due to overpopulation.

"With increasing human encroachment upon their feeding grounds, increased numbers can cause them to die of malnutrition or in many cases, force them into the human domain of the highways, where they could be hit by motorists," he said.

Higdon said hunters have strict regulations they must follow while out hunting in the field.

"At this time, there haven't been any accidents reported in Nodaway County," Higdon said.

It is important to follow all safety procedures while hunting.

"Consequently, it is important to follow hunting safety procedures which include, keeping the safety on until ready to fire and wearing blaze orange at all times," Higdon said.

"In fact, a hunter is required to wear both a blaze orange vest and hat during firearm deer season. In addition, a hunter should keep a backstop behind his shot, so that it doesn't hit anything but the intended target. And, of course, anyone born after 1967 not only must have a hunting permit but a hunter safety card as well."

Hunting is a way of life for many people and eating a mess of fried squirrel for many, is as natural as someone else eating sushi.

# Graduate assistantship can prepare for career

**Growth of knowledge, financial help positives when applying for work**

By KIM TODD  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The pursuit of excellence has always been one of the important principles instilled in Northwest students and achieving it through hands-on experience is a primary goal of the graduate assistantship program.

Those who undertake the detailed process of applying for graduate assistantship find it to be a worthwhile endeavor.

Karl Jontz, senior, said applying for a graduate assistantship position at the University, was something he felt would enhance his resumé.

"I feel that being a graduate assistant gives you an edge over other competitors in the dog-eat-dog job market," Jontz said. "It gives you actual hands-on experience and that is invaluable."

Frances Shipley, dean of the Graduate School, said she believes in the program because the best way to gain knowledge was through actual work-related activities and the assistantship program provided that to students.

"There were different types of graduate assistantships," Shipley said.

"There were research, teaching, administrative and tutorial assistantships. All of these helped students face the future more fully prepared for their careers."

Jontz said he also believes employers look more favorably at students who have held assistantship positions.

"I think, employers really do look with favor on those individuals with enough initiative to hold down such an employment position," Jontz said.

"Working within an academic environment while you're going to school, pretty much ensures that you'll be working when you're out of it."

Graduates who are interested in becoming involved in the graduate assistantship program must make out an application at the Graduate Office.

The application is then circulated through the departments and then are reviewed. Afterward, the students are interviewed, and a recommendation is made by the particular department in terms of who they want to employ.

Shipley said to be eligible for the program certain criteria must be met. "Student must have a 2.75 under-

graduate or a 3.0 in their graduate work to be eligible," Shipley said. "Also, they must be a full-time graduate student, which means taking at least nine credit hours a semester."

Shipley said one of the greatest advantages to the assistantship program is the financial aspect.

"For 20 hours per week for nine months, the program pays around \$5,000," Shipley said. "It also, waives all of their tuition and they have a 10 percent discount at the Bearcat Bookstore."

One of the things, Shipley said, she is most proud of since becoming head of the Graduate School, is the fact that they did increase the stipend from \$2,400 to \$5,000.

"Besides the increase in the stipend."

"We implemented an orientation for graduate students and graduate assistants," Shipley said. In addition, we now require a job description for each graduate assistant."

Jeanne Gaa, director of Career Planning and Placement Services, said students interested in graduate schools or graduate assistantship programs can visit Career Services in the Student Union and pick up a variety of information on the subject.

"We have a great deal of very useful information on graduate schools at various universities," Gaa said. "We also have information on companies that pay their employees to go to graduate school."

Gaa said students who are unsure if they do or do not want to get their master's will also benefit from a trip to Career Services.

"We have a whole shelf devoted to literature on whether a student should go on to graduate school," Gaa said.

Gaa said for some graduate school is the answer, for others it is not. In some instances, an MBA can mean a better salary, but that is not always the case.

"Depending upon your choice of career, an MBA can help with advancement or not effect it at all," Gaa said.

"At Career Services, we try to help steer a student in the right direction for their particular situation."

### Graduate Studies

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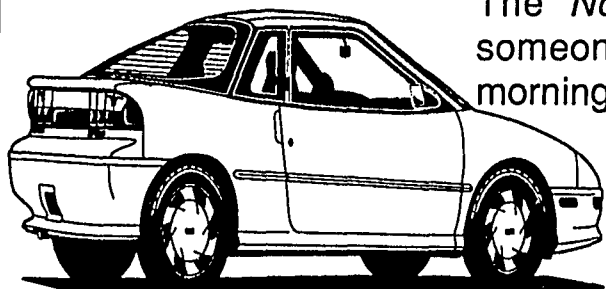


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## Opting for name brands will cost

**Eyewear fashion has more to do with style; designer names play lower role for money sake**

By CODY WALKER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

"All the better to see you with..." was the Big Bad Wolf's reply to Little Red Riding Hood when questioned about his big eyes.

Unfortunately, not everyone is able to see as well as him, without the aid of glasses with corrective lenses.

The Spec Shoppe in Maryville has been serving patrons in need of glasses for 10 years.

According to owner, Karen Green, the Spec Shoppe offers patrons a wide selection of frames, ranging in costs from \$20 to about \$100.

This selection includes such designer fashion frames by Guess?, NBA, Liz Claiborne and others.

Stacey Seider, freshmen, said fashion plays a minute role when choosing a frame.

"I keep in mind what the style is," Seider said. "But the important thing is whether or not the frame looks good on my face, and if I like them. After all, I am the one who has to wear them, no one else."

The name brand frames are quite popular, Green said.

"The name status makes easy marketing," Green said. "Since other items use the name brands such as NBA, Guess? and Bugle Boy, they are popular."

According to Green, the type of activity one does,

often affects the type of frames that are chosen.

"Farmers often come in and choose a rugged frame," Green said. "While many college and high school students will pick out strictly fashion frames."

Name brand eyeglasses may be popular, but do not have a large effect when choosing frames, Heather Perry, freshmen, said.

"I'm not really interested in designer frames," Perry said. "I simply prefer wire frames that are tannish brown, and sort of round."

Green said, the Spec Shoppe is the only independent optical dispensary between Council Bluffs, Iowa, and St. Joseph, Mound City and Bethany, Mo., and does quite a lot of business.

"At a one stop place you will pay a lot more to have your glasses done in an hour," Green said. "While it may be more convenient to pay the extra money for the faster service, in Maryville, there are no one stop services available."

The Spec Shoppe tries to help all customers, Green said.

"If someone would come in with broken glasses around 4 p.m. on a Friday, we'd try to fix them up," Green said. "In many of the other places, they still send out the glasses to have them fixed."

Prescription and non-prescription safety eyewear, sunglasses, and adjustments as well as eyeglass

repairs are also available to college students, Green said.

"We do a great deal of adjustments and temporary work for the college students," Green said. "We try to help the students out until they can get home to have them fixed, even though we could probably save them 200 percent. We know that most often the money is at home."

Green said a wide variety of customers are served in the Spec Shoppe.

"I have fit babies as young as 5 months and people older than 100-years-old," Green said.

While many eyeglass wearers enjoy choosing a frame, the actual task of having to wear the glasses is not as pleasant.

"I'd rather wear contacts, if I could," Kathy Reisner, freshmen, said.

"I guess wearing them is okay, but it's a hassle. I have to watch and make sure someone doesn't sit on them when I put them down, and I have to clean them with only certain stuff so I don't scratch the lenses."

According to Seider, activities can put a damper on wearing glasses.

"I think wearing glasses is hard," Seider said. "I worry about them breaking. And when I'm going to be very active, I have a pair of contacts that I wear."

Name brands, fashion styles and frame costs have a large affect on the choosing of eyewear.

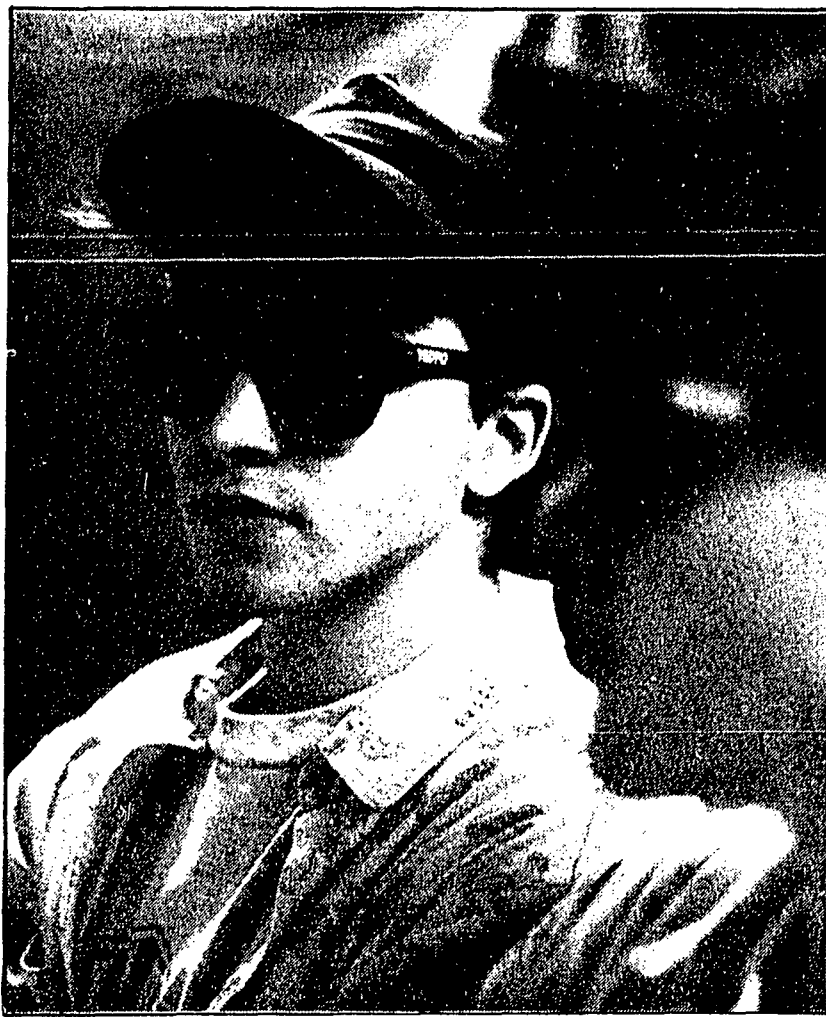


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**NAME-BRAND SUNGLASSES**, such as Oakley and Ray Ban, have quickly become a popular form of eyewear among college students.

## Friends encourage their pals when it comes to abstinence

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Typically, the notion that "everybody's doing it" persuades teens and young adults to experiment with sex for the first time.

"I think it makes them feel grown up. They like to talk about it a lot when they're young," Sue, a 21-year-old who lost her virginity when she was 15, said. "I guess I did feel some pressure because all of my friends were doing it."

Rather than feeling pressures to have sex, Scott's behavior is often encouraged by his friends.

"They all know where I stand so they pretty much leave me alone," Scott said. "My friends who have had sex have said, 'You know you're being pretty smart for waiting. I wish I would have waited.' If anything my friends more or less reinforced my decision or encouraged it."

Brian, 24, who has been celibate for two years because he is in a monogamous relationship with a virgin, said his friends did not pressure him either.

"I didn't know that was the way it was until a month or so after I'd known her and I'd already been involved long enough to stick around, and since sex isn't so important to me as it is to other people, I stuck it out," Brian said.

Sexually active students might consider these lifestyles frustrating and depriving.

Brian said mutual respect can be more rewarding than sexual gratification.

"You start to respect them rather than just see them as objects of desire. You start to realize that they're not solely there for that purpose and if you're willing to stay with someone who isn't willing to put out, then that means you must have some sort of feelings for that person and a certain amount of respect for yourself and the other person," Brian said.

Brian said more emphasis should be placed on sex education and the respect of self and sexuality. Instead, parents, sex educators and the clergy must contend with the forces of a fast-paced society and hope for the best.

"Maybe with everything being more instant, I think people don't have enough patience or perseverance for things like that," Scott said. "They don't know the value in waiting for things as much as older people do."

Choosing to remain a virgin or lead a celibate lifestyle is ultimately a very personal decision and many believe it may provide the ultimate reward or learning experience in a young person's life; knowledge in which may be crucial to the development of one's sexual identity.

"It's normal to want to have sex," Scott said. "I mean, I want to have sex, but it's worth it for me to wait just because I believe the reward will be better if I wait."

**"... I want to have sex, but it's worth it for me to wait just because I believe the reward will be better if I wait."**

Scott, 20  
Virgin

## Next generation misunderstood

**Myths surrounding X'ers have misdirect approach for advertising agencies**

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*Editor's Note: Part of the mystery about Generation X is just defining what Generation X is, and what it wants. What is the reality of this generation, and what is myth? The following commentary by the Trends Research Institute addresses this issue.*

RHINEBECK, N.Y. - Misinformation is causing many marketers as well as national and local advertisers to take aim at the twentysomething generation or Generation X to miss the target, according to findings in a continuing institute trends research study, "Generation X'ers: Who They are, Where They're Going: Hot Buttons and Cold Facts."

Generation X - the 47-million-person crowd of Americans between 18 and 29 years old - controls \$125 billion in disposable income.

And while marketers of many stripes are spending millions trying to get their share of the billions, they often waste their money, led astray by popular myths.

The Trends research shows a different perspective about the misconceptions advertisers or marketers have about the twentysomething generation.

• **Insecure:** Most of today's older teens and young adults are insecure, not savvy and smug, not informed, according to the study, which the institute began in 1992.

Their "suaveness" and "knowledge of issues" is influenced primarily by selective exposure to television - notably MTV and prime-time fiction and docudramas.

And while X'ers may appear to be iconoclastic, they're impressionable and can be easily persuaded to buy products and services.

They will resist persuasion like anyone else.

But the key to reaching through them is being consistent with their mood or attitude expectations and making it easier for them to fulfill the advertising's call to action.

• **Conforming:** This generation is not more individualistic than any other, with only 8 percent showing any consistently strong desire to be separate and unique.

Its members' dress, hair-styling, listening, viewing, speaking, reading and non-verbal communication patterns are generally consistent within various generational sub-groups, according to the study.

Indeed, most people crave social acceptance and display normative interests in conformity.

• **Boomer Envy:** Because most X'ers went through their formative years during the materialistic '80s, and became en-

tranced with TV fantasy lifestyles, they became conditioned to expect immediate riches, the study found. Having to "pay your dues" wasn't part of their upbringing.

But now that the next generation is entering the job market in difficult times, some 58 percent of these "Nation at Risk" school products are finding themselves educationally ill-equipped.

Rather than recognizing that the world has changed, they consider themselves victims of the boomers, whom they accuse of taking all the higher-paying and glamour jobs.

Much of business' misinformation about Generation X stems from a "group think/market hypnosis," in which assumptions are unquestioned, one-sided information is justified and conclusions are righteously defended until they become dogma, the research study said.

And it found that the prevailing wisdom about X'ers is basically folly when examined in the light of evidence. For more information concerning the study call the institute at 914-876-6700.

### Generation X

Marketers and Advertiser's myths about generation.

**Myth 1:** Generation X'ers are savvy and informed and don't buy into advertising.

**Myth 2:** Generation X'ers are free-spirited individuals marching to the beat of their own drum.

**Myth 3:** Generation X'ers got shafted by boomers, who took all the good jobs.

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## DISCO'S DEAD

# New Nirvana album offers more than hit single would suggest; variety, variations shows talent

Well, let's see, you can tell it's Nirvana, only with a little rhythm. OK, thanks everyone, that is the end.

Just kidding, but that about sums up Nirvana's third release "In Utero." By the way, what the heck is "in utero"? It makes me have the urge to release a hefty urination.

Nirvana established themselves as the first breakthrough band from Seattle's grunge scene.

With the help of a few others, they became the pioneers of big-time grunge rock. Nirvana was one of the first of their genre to land big label deals and make some real buckage.

But correct me if I'm wrong, isn't "grunge" going out of fashion? Grunge rock is now cluttered with Nirvana and Pearl Jam wannabes.

Therefore "In Utero" seemed a challenge for Nirvana to break from the crowd and do



Jim Krabbe  
Music Critic

something different while keeping that vital following.

Does "In Utero" follow up "Nevermind" in that way, you ask? Well, sort of.

As the CD started off, I thought it was the same old Nirvana giving me a headache.

The first few songs are pretty routine with their same normal sound and Kurt Cobain whining away.

Further into it I realized there is a whole lot of difference from "In Utero" and "Nevermind."

They tried many different things to change the sound. Some songs have a more alternative beat and racier guitars.

One thing I really liked was how they use the bass guitar more, giving their tunes a lot more rhythm. Even Cobain sings differently, using his voice in more diverse ways from whining to grinding and actually singing.

"Milk It" shows Cobain really is all right. He sings and plays the guitar in a variety of

ways, proving that he does have talent.

The same goes for "Pennyroyal Tea" which adds a lot of bass and variations slow to fast.

"Frances Farmer Will Have Her Revenge," besides having a cool title, it is a great song.

Cobain screeches his guitar in parts, Kurt Novoselick plays his bass as hard as any grunge or thrash, making it one of the better songs on "In Utero".

The hit single "Heart Shaped Box" seemed to me to be one of the more boring songs on the new release.

Its lame lyrics and repetitive melody really make it sound bad. But that's radio and MTV I guess, the more "normal" it is the better.

Speaking of radio, "Radio Friendly Unit Shifter" is an excellent song with a pertinent title.

Mainly the group says to find your place in life, love your friends, hate the rest and don't give in to anyone or anything, including the media.



IN UTERO

"In Utero"  
Nirvana

It made me wonder when they jumped from teen spirit to the trials of life.

But anyway, even music with a statement can please real music lovers. As for me, it was pretty good.

If I could only remember which songs sounded too much like Nirvana, so I could skip them and appreciate the other songs from this Nirvana, get it?

## REEL TO REEL

## Reflections on Phoenix's career; current releases

Although erroneously dubbed the "most talented actor of his generation" by one critic, the late River Phoenix did have a remarkable, albeit, short-lived career.

Some thoughts on some of his work, from the great to the not-so-great. All of these films are available on video.

"Running on Empty"

★★★★ Phoenix received an Oscar nomination for his poignant portrayal of a sensitive, talented musician whose ambition to become an accomplished pianist is hampered by his parents' escape from the FBI after their peace demonstration led to a building destruction.

Phoenix exhibits angst and ardor missing from his later performances.

"Stand by Me" ★★★★★ In an adaptation of Stephen King's novella "The Body," the film starred Phoenix as a youngster who goes on a hunt with three other pre-teens for a body of a guy who lived in their small Maine town.

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Don Munsch  
Movie Critic

the experience, the story is a study of the true nature of friendship, and it was Phoenix's breakthrough performance.

"Dogfight" ★★ In this overlooked 1991 drama, Phoenix played a Marine who must find an "ugly" date to win a contest with fellow Marines. Whoever has the "ugliest" date wins the contest.

His "date" is Lily Taylor, a bohemian who works in a coffee shop, plays the guitar and writes poetry. Taylor discovers Phoenix's contest, of course, and although Phoenix tries to make it up to her and Taylor eventually tries to humanize Phoenix, the film can't recover from its initial scenes. (Well, could you easily become friends with someone who degraded and humiliated you?)

Taylor's deeply affecting performance is probably the only reason to see the film, which boosted her career.

"My Own Private Idaho" ★★ Phoenix is well-cast and well-developed as a narcoleptic prostitute who drifts around the Pacific Northwest looking for intimacy (more than sex) in this Gus Van Sant ("Drugstore Cowboy")

offering. The film falters, though, because of a rambling screenplay and some occasional incoherent dialogue. Keanu Reeves co-stars.

"A Night in the Life of Jimmy Reardon" ★ A boring, and pointless, nostalgia film about a teen who fondly, and unfondly, remembers one of the worst nights of his life.

The movie amounts to nothing more than the boy's memories of getting drunk and arrested.

So what? Phoenix sleepwalks his way through this one, and no wonder.

Current releases: "Fearless" ★★ One truism of good literature, theater or movies is that every story needs a twist or complication.

The standard here's-the-problem-now-here's-the-solution scenario just won't past muster in most stories.

This is more than mere opinion — this is a statement of simple fact.

The lack of a real complication plagues "Fearless," which stars Jeff Bridges as a man who survives a plane crash and must come to terms with his luck and new outlook on life.

Many people died in the crash, and Bridges harbors much shame, guilt and remorse for his good fortune. 'Why didn't I die?' he asks himself over and over.

His survival causes him psychological problems as well as marital strife.

However, he meets a young woman (Rosie Perez) who also survived and helps her cope with her guilt over losing her young son, whose death she blamed herself for. Together, they help each other overcome their guilt and learn to get on with their lives.

But that's all "Fearless" is about. There's no other dimension to this story, other than Bridges' acknowledgment that life is precious and one shouldn't take it for granted. Please. Anyone who sees this movie knows that fundamental truth and doesn't need a movie to hit them over the head with it.

"Fatal Instinct" ★ A well-intentioned effort to spoof the slick dramas "Sleeping with the Enemy," "Fatal Attraction," "Basic Instinct" and "Cape Fear" goes nowhere in this witless comedy starring Armand Assante and Sean Young.

Finding laughs in this film is like finding snowflakes in Cuba.

## THE STROLLER

## Your Man conflicts with R.A.; punishment requires painting

Your Man faced some serious trauma this week. Aside from the spate of hate mail, the wicked Arctic winds, and the strange musky smell emanating from the pasture; I got written up.

I was sitting in my dorm room (dorm dorm dorm) catching up on some classic Flintstones episodes and my local Gestapo officer (R.A.) knocked on my door.

I could tell it was him because the German shepherds were raising a heck of a ruckus.

I went to the door, trembling with fright, not guilt, because I hadn't done anything. I swear. The problem was my roommate had liberated a couch from one of the lounges. It was just sitting there, unused, and it seemed so unhappy without a purpose in life.

I would now like to reiterate the point that I had nothing to do with it. I didn't help in the planning, implementation or cartage of said furniture, and I achieved no pleasure from resting my thoroughly blameless behind on it.

His Assistant came in and looked around. "Hullo younk resident," he uttered in a guttural accent. "Ich see you haff a piece of furniture which ees belonkink to us."

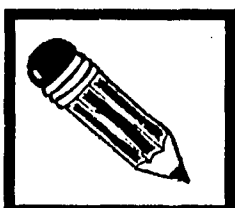
At this point I broke down in sobs and rattled on my roommate.

"It's his, I swear," I said with a quivering in my voice and tears and sweat running profusely down my red cheeks. "I wouldn't go against the glorious benevolent rulers of the dorm."

"Acchhl! Silence," he bellowed. "Do no tarnish this room with your lies."

He moved deftly across the room and cast his glance on the pasture. "H&H%\* What ees dat smell? No matter." His voice became soft and cajoling. "Are you aware of what happens to defiant scoundrels such as yourself?" he asked in such a calm manner that the tears and sweat stopped dead in its tracks. "Do you know the penalties of such insubordination?"

He screamed this last word as he wheeled to meet my gaze. I began sobbing again and dropped to the floor in



Yours Truly realizes his superiors just might have the right idea

a fetal position. I knew all right. I knew all too well.

He goose-stepped over to where I lay quivering and put out his hand. Under other circumstances, it would have been an almost motherly gesture. In this circumstance however, it carried the feeling of pure, dripping evil.

It took an amazing force of will to pull my hand away from my genitals (always the first part to be defended in crisis) and put my hand in his. His hands were coarse; hardened by work he probably performed over the summer. I had heard he had laid railroad tracks in Third World countries during the summer to afford school.

He lifted me up with almost demonic strength. "Now, younk resident, you know what we want from you. Names! Names I say! And we will have them won't we?" He broke out into a hideous cackling laugh. I knew as well as he did that, yes, he would have them.

For the next hour, I implicated my hallmates, classmates and friends behind locked doors in a number of heinous, anti-dorm crimes.

From toilet-stall scribbling, to failing to clean the Rice-a-Roni from the roof of the microwave, to elevator racing, and missing the urinal I rattled on them all. Such a travesty has not been seen since Zsa Zsa Gabor was convicted.

It was awful, but in the end, I kept my good standing in the Residence Hall, yes, Residence Hall. Dorm sounds so cold and impersonal. They are right (robot-type voice here). Dorm Police know best.

We are too stupid to be able to decide what to call the place we live. I will listen to my intellectual and moral superiors from now on.

All that happened was I had to paint a door. I even got to keep the couch. All hail the glorious benevolent rulers of the Residence Halls.

I began to second guess my next move, but I took to heart an old saying my father said, "It never hurts to start a fire in your neighbors pasture." I won't go into details, but the flames reminded me of a special couple.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918.

## Thought for the Week

"Crabbed age and youth cannot live together. Youth is full of pleassance, age is full of care."

— "The Passionate Pilgrim" by William Shakespeare

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## Jim's Journal

by Jim

I went over to Mike's today to see what he was up to.

He was sitting with a cast on his leg and with crutches next to him.

He said in a silly dramatic voice, "Leave me—I cannot face you as half a man!"

Then he said he was just kidding and to just come right in.

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## Off the Mark



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